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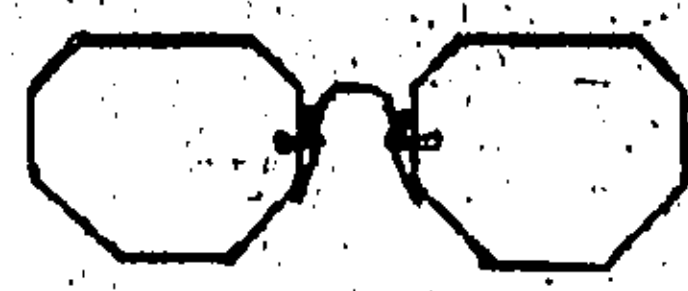
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"ILL-CONSIDERED COMPETITION."

"Haphazard Underwriting" Deplored.

UNION INSURANCE MEETING.

Another Good Year Reported.

A warning note as to "ill-considered competition" in the insurance field was sounded by the Chairman of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited (the Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes) at the annual meeting of the company this morning. He added that there had been a lot of haphazard underwriting the world over, which was to be deplored, but happily, there were signs that underwriters in general were getting together to put rates on a sounder basis.

COMPANY'S STRONG POSITION.

Cargo rates, said the Chairman, which had dropped appreciably in recent years, remained at about the same level as the previous year, and it was pleasing to note that the Hull market was on a better basis.

The company's position, as shown by the report, was a strong one, a marked feature being the healthy state of the investments both at home and abroad, all of which were paying well. The Society had over one million pounds in investments in America, and it was gratifying to be able to state that the decline on the New York Stock Exchange had not affected them in any way. The fall in silver values had had a little effect on the Society's holdings, but it was pointed out that the great majority of its funds were on a sterling basis.

Marine business had kept up well during the year, although the Company were involved in the loss of the Hamburg-America liner Hochst, and also to some degree in the disastrous fire on the Europa.

The year had been a bad one for fire business, but general business continued to improve.

In conclusion, the Chairman paid a tribute to the unfailing endeavours of the General Manager and staff during the year.

The Chairman, in proposing the adoption of the Report and Accounts, said:

Gentlemen: The Report and Accounts were issued on May 6, and you will therefore have had the necessary time to examine the figures which appear in the Balance Sheet. I propose therefore to follow the usual practice and take them as well as the Auditors' Report as read.

The Working Accounts for the year 1929, after paying a Bonus to Contributors of \$18,334-10s-10d. and an Interim Dividend of 24/- per share, amounting to \$162,000, shows a Balance of \$129,826-10s-9d. available for distribution, and your Directors recommend that this Balance be dealt with as follows:

A Final Dividend of 16/- per share on 186,000 shares to be paid to Shareholders absorbing \$108,000 and that the Balance remaining be carried forward to Underwriting Suspense Account to close the Account for the year 1929.

The Balance of the Working Account for the year 1929 is \$440,790-1s-4d. and the Board recommends an Interim Dividend of 24/- per share be paid to Shareholders, absorbing \$162,000, and that a Bonus of 20 per cent. be paid to Contributors of business on Bonus terms, absorbing about \$20,000, and that the remainder be carried forward.

Cargo Rates Down.
The business of Marine Insurance for the year 1929 appears to have been transacted on very much the same lines as for the past few years. Cargo rates have in some instances declined, although I believe for the most part they have remained very much upon the same level as the preceding year. The Hull Market has been placed on a somewhat sounder basis, and we read that increases have been secured on fleets where the record has not been satisfactory.

Haphazard Underwriting.
I think we can safely say that underwriters generally are more prone to watch carefully the statistics of their business, and this is all to the good. I think there is little doubt that during the last few years there has been a good deal of what might be termed haphazard underwriting. I understand that underwriters are inclined to be more careful and to put rates on a sounder basis.

good underwriting organisation and the present slender profits make it essential to give careful consideration to these details. I can assure you that this feature of our business is well cared for by Head Office and its Branches.

Ill-Considered Competition.
A great deal of ill-considered competition still exists in the Marine Market and Cargo rates during recent years have been brought to a very low level. If there were an all round increase in rates I do not believe there would be any legitimate cause for complaint. I would again repeat the often expressed hope that the leading Insurance Companies and other Underwriters will eventually come together and arrange an agreement to write the business at rates which will at least leave a fair margin of profit.

As the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton remarked in seconding the Chairman's Speech last year: "Insurance being an essential element in almost every mercantile transaction, it is therefore a matter of public interest that a basis of rates should be arrived at which will enable insurance business to be conducted on lines satisfactory to all concerned."

Accidents During the Year.

Although regular liners and the very large steamers ran free during the year from total loss there was the usual crop of serious accidents. An unfortunate casualty in which the Society was involved was the loss of the Hamburg American Steamer "Hochst" wrecked off the Island of Minicoy in the Indian Ocean. Another unfortunate accident was the serious fire which occurred on the great German liner Europa whilst building. As usual losses by fire in cargoes have from time to time occurred and Underwriters have had to meet heavy losses from this peril.

Fire Business.

As regards Fire business, the year 1929 was one of the worst that Companies have experienced for many years. There was a serious increase in Fire Losses, particularly noticeable in the Home field, but by no means confined to that field. In Canada, for example, when the results of the business for 1929 of Companies operating there are available, there is no doubt that the loss experienced will compare unfavourably with the previous four or five years. There were some heavy fires in Australia, and the position there is still far from satisfactory. The Continent of Europe also produced some high loss ratios, notably in Holland.

In some cases climatic conditions, the long cold winter and dry summer, contributed to the increase in severity of loss ratios. There is no doubt however, that depressed trading conditions have also had their effect.

General Business Growing.

General business, under which heading I include Motor Car, Accident and Sickness, Employers' Liability and the like, continues to grow in importance, and it would seem probable that the year 1929 was no far as these classes of business are concerned.

The Exchange Situation.

Before commenting upon our own Underwriting results I would like to make a few remarks upon the position of Exchange and how it affects the Society and its Affiliated Companies. You will realise that the drop in the price of silver and the consequent depreciation in the Sterling value of the dollar, and the fall must have an effect upon the Society's figures. For example, premium received in silver currency and interest on investments in silver securities translated into Sterling will produce less pounds. This is reflected in the Sterling value of the Society's Silver Reserve Fund of \$3,000,000, which at 1/7 1/2 is £248,750, as against £308,125

78-YEAR OLD MAN CHARGED.

POSSESSION OF OPIUM AND AMMUNITION.

SUAL LAME EXCUSE.

A Chinese, 78 years of age, was this morning charged at the District Officer's Court before Mr. J. S. MacLaren for the possession of 716 tael of illicit opium and 150 Mauser rifle magazines. Mr. F. X. d'Almada appeared for the defence, and entered a plea of "Not Guilty."

Evidence given by a Chinese detective was to the effect that on May 23, a raid was made on an unnumbered, marked at Tsui Wan. There were two beds in the shed, and underneath one of these, he found a kerosene tin containing the opium and a gunny bag in which the magazines were kept. Defendant was away at the time, and he waited until 5.30 p.m. when he returned.

Insp. Dorling spoke to preferring the charges against the defendant at the Water Police Station, when the latter answered that he did not know that the contraband was in his shed. He said that someone had left them there.

In evidence defendant said that a few days before his arrest, somebody came to his door. It was late at night and he could not see what they had dumped here, but he heard them asking him to take care of the parcels. Next morning, he took the parcels and put them under his bed. He never looked inside to see what they contained.

His Worship convicted. In mitigation, Mr. d'Almada pleaded that since the accused was found to be in possession of the contraband, he had no other recourse than to plead guilty to possession, but it must be admitted that the accused had had no guilty knowledge.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$8,000 on the charge of possession of opium, or, in default, six months' imprisonment. On the other count, defendant was fined \$1,000 or six months' imprisonment, the sentences to run consecutively.

Three Other Cases.

Revenue Officer Grimmiti prosecuted in three opium cases before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning. Two of the accused were arrested at Causeway Bay, behaving in a suspicious manner on the water front.

When searched, prepared opium was found strapped to the legs of both men. One had 98 tael and the other 80 tael.

Both admitted possession, but would not say where the drug had come from.

The first man was fined \$10,000 and the other \$9,000, with the alternative of six months' hard labour in each case.

The other man was arrested coming off the s.s. Taisan. He had 18 tael of raw opium. Mr. Lindsell imposed a fine of \$500 or two months' hard labour.

Accounts Affected.

The amount standing to the credit of Exchange and Investment Fluctuation Account is affected also, this amounting in the present Balance Sheet to \$568,869-4s-1d. as against \$612,819-1s-9d. shown in the Balance Sheet for the period ended December 31, 1928. As I have already indicated, the closing Demand rate on London of the Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation on December 31, 1928, was 2/0 1/2, whilst on December 31, 1929 it was 1/7 1/2. The difference between these two rates shows a depreciation in the Sterling value of 19.588 per cent.

The 1929 Working Account has been adjusted to the exchange ruling on December 31, 1929, and in consequence the balance of the 1928 Working Account at the end of the second year after payment of an Interim Dividend and Bonus amounting to \$1,175,384-10s-10d. is \$1,188,684-8d. less than the 1927 Working Account at the same period. This difference, I may say, is more than accounted for by exchange, and had exchange remained at not less than 2/0 1/2 the balance would have shown some appreciation.

Interest And Dividend.

You will observe that our interest in the 1928 Working Account

JAPAN IN GOOD FORM

Disagreement Over "Soccer" Match.

CHINA WINS VOLLEY BALL.

Tokyo, Yesterday.
At the Olympic games to-day, Japan clinched for the baseball title, defeating the Chinese in a wild, ragged contest by 17 runs to 10. In swimming Japan secured a further two firsts in the 100 yards back stroke, and 50 yards free style. In the men's volleyball event China beat Japan by 21 points to 18 and 21 to 19, making China and the Philippines tie in the match for the title, which will be played off to-morrow.

In the women's volleyball event Japan beat the Philippines by 21 to nil and 21 to nil.

In soccer Japan sprang a surprise and tied with China by 3 goals to 3. The Chinese did most of the attacking but their shooting was erratic. At half-time the score was one all. Japan-led by 3 goals to 2 within three minutes, when Wong Shui-wa equalised. The Chinese wanted to play extra

FINE TO SHOWERY.

The Royal Observatory's weather report to-day states:—

A depression is shown over Tongking and Western China.

The typhoon is about 100 miles S.E. of Ishigaki, moving N.N.E. or N.E.

Forecast S.E. or Variable winds, moderate; fine to showery.

Rainfall to 10 a.m. to-day nil. Rainfall since January 1, 1917 inches against an average of 22.83 inches.

Temperature and Humidity.

The temperature and humidity at certain specified centres this morning at 6 o'clock were:—

	Temp.	Humid.
Hong Kong	77	85
Macao	77	86
Pratas Island	79	86
Manila	75	98
Amoy	75	86
Swatow	74	95
Chefoo	68	79
Shanghai	61	98

time to settle the championship but the Japanese refused. Subsequently, the sides failing to agree, the F.E.A.F. "Soccer" Committee declared the championship a tie without further play.

In tennis Japan won the men's championship without the loss of a match. Nuno beat Lum, 6-3, 6-4, 6-4. Instead of the scheduled Sato and Khoo singles match, which Khoo defaulted, an exhibition doubles was played, when Sato and Kawachi beat Lum and Khoo, 4-6, 7-5, 6-1, 6-2.

In the women's tennis singles Kobayashi beat Gloria Lee, 6-0, 6-2, and beat Lucy Lee, 6-0, 6-1. Gloria Lee beat I. Inura (Japan) 4-6, 6-4, 6-2, giving Japan a victory of three matches to two. In basketball Japan beat the Philippines by 38 points to 29. The championship tie will be played off to-morrow.—Reuter.

PHILIPPINES' "WAR."

Moros Flee to the Hills After Bombardment.

ROUND-UP COMMENCED.

Manila, Yesterday.
Following an all night long bombardment of the Moro fortress, using stakes, mortars, gas, machine gun, and rifle fire, the constabulary forces entered the Sultan's Citadel's stronghold, which they found empty. The Moro defenders having fled to the hills through a cunningly devised underground passage. Patrols were hurriedly organised, and started immediately for a round-up of the outlaws, who are believed to be making for other fortified camps.—Reuter.

INDIA'S FERMENT

Nagpur, Yesterday.
Abdulla Khan, the president of the Central India Provincial Committee, has been arrested by the police.

WAR ZONE SHIFTS TO HUNAN.

REBELS ADOPT TACTICS OF CANTON FORCES.

INVASION EXPECTED.

Canton, Yesterday.
The Central Government has formally appointed General Chan Chai-tong as Commander-in-Chief of the Land, Air, and Naval forces of the Kwangtung, Kwangsi, Hunan and Kiangsi provinces. General Chan is expected to assume his new post on June 1.

According to an official wire despatched from Hangchow in Hunan, the Kwangsi insurgents under Pei Huang-hai have arrived at Hangshaho near Hangchow; those under Yang Teng-fai are still at Taohow, while the Hunan mutineers under Tang Seng-ming have advanced as far as Yung-ming. In order to shorten the line of military operations, the Hunan loyal troops have withdrawn to Yen-pun-shi, 20 miles from Chiyang, and will, if necessary, further retire to Hengchow, which will then be strongly defended, thereby adopting the former tactics of the Cantonese forces when facing last year the invasion of the Ironsides and Kwangsi-ites. The wire expresses the confidence of the Hunan loyal Generals and their ability to round up the rebels as soon as the troops of the 6th and 8th Route Army follow them up.

Rebels in Hunan.
Another report from Nanking says that the Ironside-Kwangsi rebels have penetrated into Hunan in two directions—one marching eastward to Ningyung, and the other toward North-east to Tungnan and Chiyang. Besides the 19th Division of the 4th Route Army, stationed at Hengchow, being despatched to intercept them, all the Hunan loyal troops, who recently invaded Kwangsi, have been transferred back to guard Hengchow and Lingling. Skirmishes between the vanguards of the rebels and the Hunan troops are reported to have taken place last week between Hengchow and Ningyung, but no further fighting has since been reported.

It will be recalled that Tang Seng-ming and Tang Chih-ming, both brothers of Tang Seng-chi, mutinied in Hunan some time ago and escaped to Kwangsi to join the Ironside-Kwangsi insurgents. Tang Seng-ming is now invading Hunan again. By appointing Tang Seng-chi as C.I.C. of the 6th Regional Army of the allied forces, Yen Hsi-shan hopes that Tang may be in position to collect the remnants under Tang Seng-ming.

The Kiangsi troops under Chang Fei-chen have been assembled on the Kiangsi-Hunan border in anticipation of a possible invasion by the Ironside-Kwangsi rebels. A circular telegram is received from General Ho Chien, chairman of Hunan, stating inter alia that, due to the activities of the Communists under Ho Lung and the outlaws under Pang and Wang, arising in Hunan, the Hunan troops were compelled to withdraw from Kwangsi for their suppression. Taking advantage of the disturbed situation in Hunan the mutineers, Tang Seng-ming and Tang Chih-ming have induced the invasion of the Ironsides and Kwangsi-ites. General Ho has despatched troops to several directions for the elimination of the invaders, Communists and bandits.

Airmen Busy.
Canton, Yesterday.
Word has been received from Colonel Tang Yueh-ming, who led six planes on the 28th to Shukuan and who has been flying to Hunan for reconnaissance daily, to the effect that the Ironside-Kwangsi rebels are still at Lingling, Hunan, and are unlikely to make a further advance, probably due to the opposition of the Hunan troops.

Cantonese Reinforcements.
The 60th and 61st Divisions under Tao Ting-kai and Chiang Kwong-nel now at Shukuan, will proceed to Panchow, 40 miles to the south border of Hunan, via Pingshih and Lochang, as soon as the 68th Division under Li Yang-king arrive at Shukuan to form the general reserve. The 69th Division is also being moved to Shukuan to form the reserve.—Reuter.

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PRAYA BLAZE.

Fine Work by Naval Ordnance Department.

HECTIC HALF-HOUR.

A spectacular fire, which at one time looked as if it might have serious and even terrible results, broke out this morning on the new Reclamation in Wanchai, almost opposite to the Royal Naval Canton.

The P.W.D. have a large number of tarred pipes stacked here, and suddenly, according to an eye-witness, they were seen to be afire. Within a few minutes a huge sheet of flame enveloped the pipes, and clouds of thick black smoke rolled across the road, causing considerable alarm to property-owners on the old Praya.

Ordnance Men's Work.

The wind carried the flames in the direction of the Naval Ordnance Department, but the staff, with most commendable promptness, had already "stood to" with hoses, and they proceeded to play upon the yard and the boundary wall, afterward tackling the remaining stack of pipes that seemed likely to be involved.

Eye-witnesses state that the fire started at 10.55 a.m., and by 11 o'clock, only five minutes afterward, the Naval Ordnance staff were busy fighting the flames. The fire appliance from Wanchai arrived about 11.10, and one from Central at 11.20, by which time the sharp outbreak was well under control.

Engine "Runs Amok."

One appliance which left Central had a mishap when it failed to make the turn up to Queen's Road from the Supreme Court with the result that it crashed into the standard in the middle of the road, and continued on to the footpath outside the Hong Kong Cricket Club ground. Fortunately nobody was injured, although the derelict appliance naturally excited considerable attention from passers-by.

A Free Treat!

In the meantime, hundreds of Chinese had gathered at the scene of the blaze, workmen on adjacent buildings "knock-off" en masse in order to enjoy the spectacle.

The terrific heat could be felt fully one hundred yards away, and at one time it appeared advisable to get every one out of the Canton. The work of the Ordnance Department, however, had its effect after the first few minutes, and the fire was got in hand within a comparatively short time.

Exactly how the fire began is not known, but it provided residents and onlookers in the district with a decided thrill, coupled with not a little apprehension.

Five-witnesses are loud in their praise of the work done by the Ordnance Department, which they say undoubtedly prevented far more serious consequences. The blaze was finally extinguished about 11.25.

SERIOUS CHARGES.

Today, Ho Yung appeared before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy on charges of assaulting a Chinese married woman with "intent to do her grievous bodily harm, or to maim, disfigure, or disable her."

Detective Sergeant Meadows stated that he would like the case to be taken as a committal one, and asked for a date to be fixed for the hearing.

His Worship intimated that his first free afternoon was June 17, which he accordingly fixed, as well as June 19, at 2.15 p.m. also.

day, where a Field Headquarters will be established, with Chief of Staff, Wong Yam-wan appointed as director.—Canton News Agency.

Peking, Yesterday.
All the vernacular papers publish many details of the Nanjing reverse on the Lungshai railway, agreeing that the allies attacked the Nationalist troops on the front, flank and at the rear.

It is persistently reported that Chiang Kai-shek was wounded in the arm, and has retired to rest at Haichow. Hitherto there is no confirmation or denial of this from Nanking.

Two thousand Chinese troops are reported to have crossed the Yellow River at Tientsin, and others at other points east and west of the railway. Han Fu-chu has maintained to Chongtzu to the invaders.—Reuter.

BOBBY JONES WINS AGAIN.

AN ALL-AMERICAN MATCH.

FIDDIAN'S BIG CHANCE!

St. Andrews, Yesterday.
The first four players in the last eight in the British Amateur Golf Championship were decided this afternoon. Voigt beat Hope 2 up, although he was one down at the turn.

Sutton, whose non-selection for the Walker Cup team caused so much discussion, defeated a former Champion in Tweddell by 4 and 3.

Eric Fiddian continued his unbeatable form, ousting the international, Torrance, 4 and 3.

Jones' Winning Way.

In an all-American match, Bobby Jones, American Open Champion, and Johnston, American Amateur Champion, were in opposition. Jones won a great struggle by one hole.

It was a masterful game, and the slightest fault by either player meant a lost hole. Jones led at the second, increasing his lead at the tenth, where he was 2 up, and at the twelfth, Johnston was stymied at the thirteenth, where "Bobby" became 4 up.

Johnston fought back finely, however, winning the fourteenth, fifteenth, and seventeenth, where Jones was only one up. The eighteenth was halved, for Jones to win the match.

Eric Fiddian to-morrow realises a long-cherished ambition, in that he will have a match with Jones.

Wetherell's Hard Struggle.

Other matches resulted:—Howell beat Robinson by 4 and 3.

Wetherell beat Simpson at the 21st.

Douglas Grant beat the Hon. Michael Scott 3 and 1.

Lister Hartley beat Hill 4 and 3.

Earlier Results.

Hope beat Waddell (Lundin) 4 and 3.

Sutton beat Dawson (Troon) 4 and 3.

Tweddell beat De Forrest (Coombe Hill) 7 and 5.

Bobby Jones beat Watt (Broughty) 7 and 6.

Jones had little relaxation in beating G. O. Watt. He was 2 up at the fourth, with birdie three at the sixth and seventh, and also won the ninth. He went out in thirty-four, turned 5 up, and was 6 up at the eleventh. He stymied Watt at the twelfth.

Howell, the Welsh champion, went out in thirty-six, and was then 3 up. He beat Hezlett 3 and 2, two under fours.

Wetherell had a bad attack of hooking, and was one down at the thirteenth. He squared at the fourteenth, to beat Oppenheimer, the former Oxonian captain, 1 up.

The Hon. Michael Scott beat Von Elm at the twentieth.

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COMMERCE AND FINANCE

UNITED STATES OF THE FUTURE.

INDUSTRY PLANNING ON FALSE PREMISES.

FOREIGN POLICY.

The entire American scheme of things, economic, political and social, is based on the assumption that the population will continue to be one of increasing growth. No matter how visionary any particular project has seemed when first suggested or tried in the United States, the country has never failed to grow up to it. Every great industry, and every State and municipality, has been able to plan finance, extension, and production on a steadily rising curve.

Estimates For Off. The American census of 1880 showed that the population had doubled about every twenty-three years since 1790. This year's census will show a population of about one-half that of the first seventy years. It happens that much city planning is going on in every part of the United States, and estimates of the future population are necessary if such schemes are to be of the greatest possible utility. It is being assumed on all sides that the population will be 240,000,000 by the year 2,000. This estimate has now been challenged by a number of scientists and they have backed their estimate of 185,000,000 as the extreme limit by the year 2000, with the probabilities being several millions less.

This difference of a fourth is a matter of extreme interest in innumerable ways. Irrigation and reclamation programmes, educational equipment, roads and transportation systems are only a few things which are materially affected by the size of the future population.

"A Nation of Elders." Two scientists connected with the Scripps Foundation for Research in Population Problems, Warren S. Thompson and P. K. Whelpton, have just completed a study of the problem under the title, "A Nation of Elders in the Making," which furnishes some remarkable data on the subject. They show how rapidly the birth rate is falling in America, having dropped from 23.7 to 19.7 per thousand, or one-sixth, in the eight years between 1920 and 1928. It is now only about a quarter of the figure before 1890.

Every scientific test points to the likelihood that the population of the United States will reach 175,000,000 by about the year 1970, and will then remain stationary, with the average age increasing for a long period. This is only 40 years hence, and is well within the orbit of time which every important industry must consider in making plans for its future.

The Immigration Laws. It would be natural to think that, facing a situation of this kind, American opinion would move for a relaxation of the immigration laws. The fact is quite the reverse. With European immigration already reduced to a minimum, there is already in existence a powerful agitation to limit to a rigid extent the present Latin-American immigration. Added to the high cost of living and the desire for higher education in America is a rapid growth of birth control propaganda. The laws against such propaganda, literature and devices secured by President Roosevelt during his famous "race suicide" campaign.

are already practically dead letters. A rich and educated America, with a static population only 40 years hence, conjures up a host of interesting speculations. For one thing America will be a nation with a temperament, a psychology, and probably a foreign policy of its own far more definite than it has ever had during the melting-pot stage now coming to an end. For instance the following figures show how rapidly the foreign-born will disappear:

	1860	1920	1975
Foreign Native	14	13	73
Negroes, whites, whites.	10	13	77
	6	85	

Fewer On Farms. Presumably business competition will reach a level of intensity now undreamed of. There will be a rentier class and probably it will be a well-entrenched one, because increasing average ages will give added conservative population where questions of property are concerned. It is unlikely that the farming population, already reduced to 28 per cent, will number more than 15 per cent by the end of another generation, but there are many reasons for believing that urban centres will not necessarily attract all those who cease to gain their living from the land.

American industry in the past has been incredibly wasteful but this waste, seemed immaterial when steady growth and increasing demand were practically assured. But economic waste becomes intolerable with static population, narrow profits, and intense competition. It is interesting to speculate whether the current trend toward mergers in industry, steadily tending towards monopolies, is not an instinctive move to meet the challenge of the future.

Scraping Current Dogmas. It is clear that many current items of American dogma will have to be scrapped. One of them is the idea that men at 40 are too old for industry. It seems probable that the man at 60 will have his future place in American industry, although whether his real wages will bear much relation to the accumulated wealth of the country is a question that only the future can decide.

HONG KONG MARKET PRODUCE.

APPROXIMATE RETAIL PRICES.

May 23, June, June,				May 23, June, June,					
Butcher Meat.				Poultry.					
	1930	1918	1914		1930	1918	1914		
Beef Sirloin	lb.	30	24	12	Chicken	lb.	68	30	81
Prime Cut	lb.	30	28	11	Capons, Small	lb.	58	28	30
Corned	lb.	20	18	12	Capons, Large	lb.	52	28	30
Roast	lb.	30	24	22	Duck	each	42	22	21
Breast	lb.	27	20	18	Doves	each	22	22	21
Soup	lb.	24	20	18	Eggs, Hen (cooking)	per doz.	40	18	—
Steak	lb.	30	24	22	Eggs, Hen (fresh)	per doz.	55	25	20
Steak Sirloin	lb.	44	30	35	Fowls, Canton	lb.	68	36	24
Sausages	lb.	38	26	20	Fowls, Hainan	lb.	55	35	24
Bullock's Brains	per set	15	10	12	Geese	each	40	24	24
Tongue, fresh	lb.	65	60	60	Pigeons, Canton	each	40	20	—
Tongue, corned	lb.	60	—	—	Hollow	each	30	28	—
Heart	lb.	24	18	14	Turkeys, Cock	lb.	75	—	—
Hump, Salt	lb.	30	20	18	Turkeys, Hen	lb.	60	61	45
Feet	each	12	10	12	Snipe	each	28	—	—
Kidneys	lb.	15	10	12	Pheasant	each	32	—	—
Tail	lb.	25	20	22	Quail	each	32	—	—
Liver	lb.	24	13	14	Partridges	each	—	—	—
Tripe	lb.	10	6	7					
Calves' Head & Feet	set	\$1.20	\$1.00	\$1.00	Fruits.				
Mutton Chop	lb.	30	26	—	Almonds	lb.	80	35	—
Leg	lb.	30	26	—	Apples (California)	lb.	30	24	—
Shoulder	lb.	30	24	—	Bananas (bride's)	lb.	8	4	—
Saddle	lb.	28	—	—	Carambola	lb.	12	—	—
Pig's Chittlings	lb.	28	27	—	Coconuts	each	12	10	10
Brains	Per set	8	12	—	Lemons, China	lb.	16	25	30
Feet	lb.	18	15	18	Lemons (American)	each	10	8	—
Fry	lb.	28	15	18	Lichees, Dried	lb.	60	25	30
Head	lb.	18	20	—	Oranges (Canton)	each	24	—	—
Heart	each	15	10	10	Oranges	each	28	15	—
Kidneys	lb.	14	10	3	Pears (Canton)	each	20	—	—
Liver	lb.	42	30	24	Peanuts	lb.	13	10	12
Pork Chop	lb.	35	25	23	Persimmons, Large	each	5	8	—
Leg	lb.	38	—	—	Plantain	each	26	12	6
Loin	lb.	40	70	—	Pineapple	each	16	—	16
Fat or Lard	lb.	21	21	—	Grapes	each	58	—	—
Sheep's Head & Feet	per set	80	60	70	Vegetables, &c.				
Heart	each	10	8	7	Artichokes	each	10	—	2
Kidneys	lb.	15	12	10	Beans, Sprout	lb.	6	—	7
Liver	lb.	40	26	25	Long	lb.	14	8	—
Sucking Pigs, to order	lb.	25	25	22	Beet Root	each	10	—	—
Suet, Beef	lb.	30	20	18	Bitter Squash	each	8	24	—
Mutton	lb.	28	26	20	Brinjals, Green	each	6	5	3
Sausages	lb.	30	20	20	Red	each	8	5	3
					Cabbage, Chinese	each	10	—	—
Fish.									
Barbel	lb.	35	16	24	Cane Shoots, bunch	each	10	—	—
Bream	lb.	32	20	16	Cauliflower (Large)	each	—	—	—
Canton Fresh Water Fish	lb.	32	—	—	(Medium)	each	—	—	—
Carp	lb.	31	13	16	(Small)	each	—	—	—
Catfish	lb.	32	16	27	Carrots	lb.	6	5	6
Codfish	lb.	33	12	9	Celery, Chinese	each	—	—	—
Crabs	lb.	32	28	26	Chillies, Dried	each	25	25	5
Cuttle Fish	lb.	34	16	27	Red	each	22	10	10
Dab	lb.	42	23	16	Green	each	14	8	12
Dace	lb.	22	20	—	Curry Stuff, English	each	10	8	—
Dog Fish	lb.	27	10	8	Cucumbers	each	6	2	—
Eels, Conger	lb.	35	16	—	Garlic	each	8	6	6
Fresh Water	lb.	38	10	8	Ginger, Young	each	13	7	—
Frogs	lb.	75	26	30	Old	each	14	10	—
Garopa	lb.	60	32	25	Horseradish, Shanghai	each	28	8	4
Gardens	lb.	32	40	30	Indian Corn	each	8	45	—
Haddocks	lb.	20	22	18	Lettuce	each	6	1	—
Halibut	lb.	34	13	23	Water Chestnuts	each	8	—	8
Labrus	lb.	58	32	13	Mushrooms, Fresh	each	50	—	8
Loach	lb.	56	22	24	Okroes	each	1	10	—
Lobsters	lb.	35	32	21	Onions, Bombay	each	8	8	8
Mackerel	lb.	35	20	20	Green	each	6	4	6
Monk Fish	lb.	34	13	2	Shanghai	each	6	6	—
Mullet	lb.	45	12	9	Parley	each	20	60	8
Oysters	lb.	32	14	9	Potato, Sweet	each	5	3	—
Parrot Fish	lb.	30	20	15	Japanese	each	4	3	—
Perch	lb.	34	16	9	American	each	3	—	—
Pike	lb.	42	26	20	Pumpkin	each	5	4	4
Pomfret, White	lb.	41	38	30	Radish	each	5	—	—
Pomfret, Black	lb.	35	36	45	Rhubarb (Fresh)	each	12	—	10
Prawns	lb.	72	10	14	Shallots	each	10	—	8
Ray	lb.	22	10	14	Spinach	each	6	8	—
Roe Fish	lb.	32	13	18	Tomatoes	each	6	7	—
Roach	lb.	35	22	10	Taro	each	6	—	—
Salmon	lb.	44	86	50	Turnips, Fung (Long)	each	6	—	—
Shark	lb.	20	10	10	Vegetable Marrow	each	8	4	—
Skate	lb.	45	32	30	Water Cress	each	8	6	—
Shrimps	lb.	43	23	23	Water Lily Root	each	6	15	—
Snapper	lb.	38	22	23					
Soles	lb.	32	26	25					
Tench	lb.	35	18	12					
Turbot	lb.	100	40	—					
Turtles, small, fr. water	lb.	100	40	—					

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Sunrise and Sunset in Hong Kong for May (Standard time of the 120th Meridian, East of Greenwich) are as follows:

	Sunrise	Sunset
May 1st	5.50	7.03
May 31st	5.55	7.08

GOVERNMENT NOTICES

G. R. PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS
Of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 2nd day of June, 1930, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of Crown Land at Mong Kok Tsui, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.
PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.				Contents in square feet.	Annual Rental.
			N.	S.	E.	W.		
			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	about	
Kowloon Island Lot No. 2329.		North of Kowloon Island Lot No. 2126, Portland Street.	As	per	sale	plan.	4,192	45
								7,234

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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements				Contains in Acres	Annual Rental	Selling Price
			N. E.	S. E.	N. W.	S. W.			
			ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	about	\$	cts.
1	100	Stear Island Lot No 252.	As per sale plan.				14,690	100	00
2	101	Stear Island Lot No 253.	As per sale plan.				14,690	100	00
3	102	Stear Island Lot No 254.	As per sale plan.				14,690	100	00
4	103	Stear Island Lot No 255.	As per sale plan.				14,690	100	00
5	104	Stear Island Lot No 256.	As per sale plan.				14,690	100	00
6	105	Stear Island Lot No 257.	As per sale plan.				14,690	100	00
7	106	Stear Island Lot No 258.	As per sale plan.				14,690	100	00
8	107	Stear Island Lot No 259.	As per sale plan.				14,690	100	00
9	108	Stear Island Lot No 260.	As per sale plan.				14,690	100	00
10	109	Stear Island Lot No 261.	As per sale plan.				14,690	100	00
11	110	Stear Island Lot No 262.	As per sale plan.				14,690	100	00
12	111	Stear Island Lot No 263.	As per sale plan.				14,690	100	00
13	112	Stear Island Lot No 264.	As per sale plan.				14,690	100	00
14	113	Stear Island Lot No 265.	As per sale plan.				14,690	100	00
15	114	Stear Island Lot No 266.	As per sale plan.				14,690	100	00
16	115	Stear Island Lot No 267.	As per sale plan.				14,690	100	00
17	116	Stear Island Lot No 268.	As per sale plan.				14,690	100	00
18	117	Stear Island Lot No 269.	As per sale plan.				14,690	100	00
19	118	Stear Island Lot No 270.	As per sale plan.				14,690	100	00
20	119	Stear Island Lot No 271.	As per sale plan.				14,690	100	00
21	120	Stear Island Lot No 272.	As per sale plan.				14,690	100	00
22	121	Stear Island Lot No 273.	As per sale plan.				14,690	100	00
23	122	Stear Island Lot No 274.	As per sale plan.				14,690	100	00
24	123	Stear Island Lot No 275.	As per sale plan.				14,690	100	00
25	124	Stear Island Lot No 276.	As per sale plan.				14,690	100	00
26	125	Stear Island Lot No 277.	As per sale plan.				14,690	100	00
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GENERAL NOTICES

HERIOTONIANS.

HERIOTONIANS.—To enable JUNE DAY to be celebrated in the traditional way it has been decided to hold a dinner at the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden on Monday, June 2, at 8 p.m. All HERIOTONIANS are requested to communicate with A. N. Braude, c/o H.K. Telephone Co.

HONG KONG FLYING CLUB.

OPENING CEREMONY NEXT SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

THE OFFICIAL OPENING of the Flying Club's Hangar and Club premises will be performed by H.E. Sir WILLIAM PEEL, K.B.E., C.M.G., at four o'clock next SATURDAY AFTERNOON, May 31st, at Kai Tak Aerodrome. A special motor bus belonging to the Kowloon Motor Bus Company will run every fifteen minutes from the Star Ferry to the Club premises between 3.15 p.m. and 4.30 p.m.

Tea will be provided in the Club House and all interested in aviation are requested to apply to any of the following committee members for invitations.

The Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, Capt. K. B. Benfield, D.S.O., M.C., Wing Commander A. H. S. Steel, Perkins, O.B.E., R.A.F., Lieut. Commander H. Squance, Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones, Dr. F. G. Farr, Mr. C. D. Lambert, Mr. J. Chon, Mr. Wong Kwong-tin or Mr. A. W. Summers, c/o Thos. Cook and Son, Limited, Pedder Building.

COMPANY MEETINGS

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders in the above Company will be held at the Company's Offices, P. & O. Building on WEDNESDAY, June 4, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1929.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 29th of May to 4th June, both days inclusive.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO., General Managers, Hong Kong, 17th May, 1930.

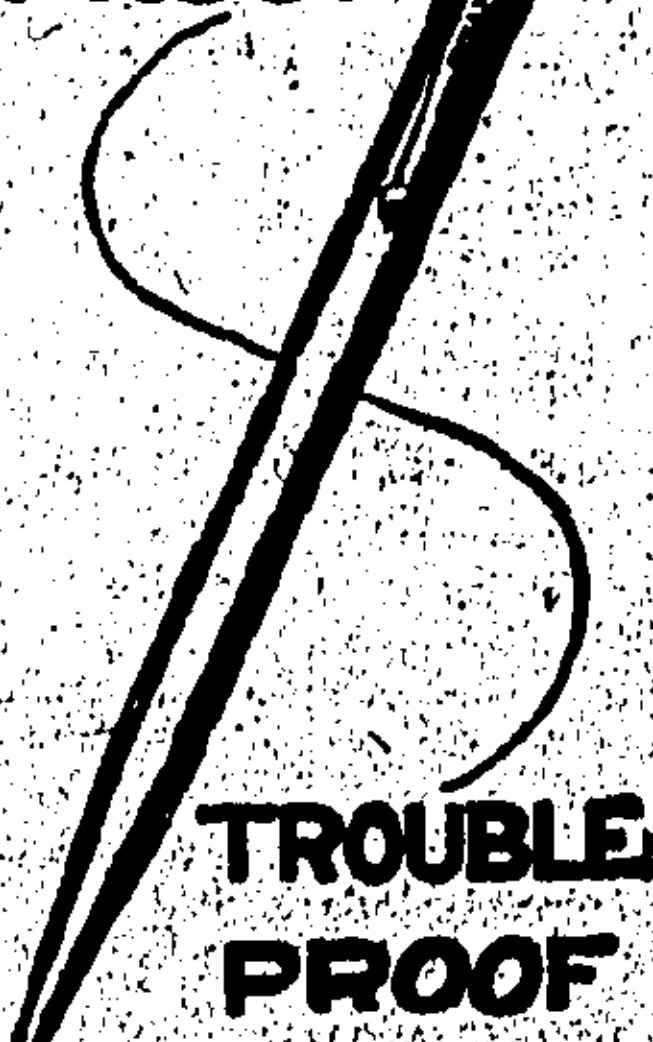
INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE FORTY-NINTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 18th June, 1930, at Noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 11th June to 2nd July, 1930, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
General Managers,
Hong Kong, 28th May, 1930.

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SPORT NOTICES

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE HALF YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of Voting Members will be held at the Club House, Happy Valley, on WEDNESDAY, 4th June, 1930, at 5.30 p.m.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 19th May, 1930.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Voting Members of the Hong Kong Jockey Club will be held at the Club House, Happy Valley, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 4th day of June, 1930, immediately after the Half Yearly Meeting of Voting Members, for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, passing the following resolution:

"That the present unincorporated members Club known as the Hong Kong Jockey Club be incorporated and registered in Hong Kong under the Hong Kong Companies Ordinance as a company limited by guarantee and that the name of such company shall be the Hong Kong Jockey Club and that the draft Memorandum and Articles of Association contained in the printed document submitted to the meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman thereof be approved and adopted as the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Club as incorporated and that the same be subscribed by the existing Stewards of the Hong Kong Jockey Club and registered as such and that the company be registered without the addition of the word Limited to its name as being an association which intends to apply its profits in promoting its objects and which prohibits the payment of any dividends to its members and that the existing Stewards of the Hong Kong Jockey Club do forthwith after the incorporation and registration of the said company transfer and assign all the property effects benefit and liabilities of the present unincorporated 'Hong Kong' Jockey Club to the company so incorporated and registered."

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club will be held at the same place on MONDAY, the 23rd day of June, 1930, at 5.30 o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of receiving a report of the proceedings of the above mentioned meeting and of confirming, if thought fit, the above mentioned resolution.

Copies of the proposed Memorandum and Articles of Association are open to the inspection of members and can be seen during the usual business hours at the office of the Secretary, Mr. C. B. Brown, Messrs. Jardine & Davis, Alexander Buildings, Hong Kong, and at the office of Messrs. Deacons, 1, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong, the Club's Solicitors, and at the Club House, Happy Valley, Hong Kong.

Dated the 21st day of May, 1930.

By Order of the Stewards,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

DRAFT PROGRAMMES and ENTRY FORMS for the SIXTH EXTRA RACE MEETING to be held on SATURDAY, 7th June and MONDAY, 9th June, 1930 (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Race Course, Hong Kong Club and Causeway Bay Stables.

Entries CLOSE at 12 o'clock Noon on THURSDAY, 29th May, 1930.

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OVERWHELMED BY SEA OF MUD.

VILLAGE WIPED OUT:
47 DEATHS.

DISASTER IN JAVA.

Samarang, May 19.
A stream of mud from the side of the mountain Telemojo has wiped out the whole of the village of Likasan, in Mid-Java. Forty-seven of the inhabitants perished, and only five managed to escape from the terrible avalanche.

The road near the mountain village of Salatiga was destroyed for a distance of seven miles, and many bridges collapsed.

It appears that the disaster was not caused by volcanic activity. Heavy rains during the last few days had resulted in the accumulation of an enormous quantity of mud on the side of the mountain, and this was suddenly loosened and poured down to the valley, transforming the small mountain river into a veritable stream of death several miles wide.

Bodies Buried Under Mud.
The death toll is estimated at 47. Five bodies have been recovered, and others are still buried under the morass in which the mud stream finished its course.

Rescue parties are experiencing very great difficulties owing to the thickness of the layer of mud.

When the stream broke loose, heavy, sinister rumblings were heard, terrifying the inhabitants.

A mother and two children had a marvellous escape. They hid in a chest, and were afterwards found by rescuers unharmed.

The authorities are providing foodstuffs and shelter.—Straits Times.

ALLEGED FRAUDS.

Manager of Health Bureau.

22 CHARGES PREFERRED.

Kwok Chan-sing, described as manager of the Health Service Intelligence Bureau, Wyndham Street, was produced before Mr. A. W. G. H. Grantham yesterday, in connection with 22 charges preferred against him alleging larceny, forging and uttering, and fraudulent conversion. The extent of the accused's alleged defalcations is placed in vicinity of only \$1,000.

According to Mr. E. S. C. Books, for the prosecution, the local bureau is a branch of the Health House Washing and Disinfecting Co., the head office of which is in Shanghai. The accused secured the appointment as manager here by finding a guarantor to the extent of \$3,000.

As manager of the bureau, accused had charge of the accounts, control of the staff, and general supervision of the work. Until September last year, the accounts of cash which the accused drew monthly for the purpose of carrying on the business of the bureau did not vary very much. After September, however, although accused had a large balance, he continued to write cheques for further sums, which, the prosecution alleged, were not required for the business.

Mr. Brooks suggested as a reason for these alleged misappropriations of money that in September last year accused, whose monthly salary was \$70, in addition to his work in the bureau, opened a typewriting school in Old Bailey.

For that purpose he obtained twelve typewriters, and the prosecution would suggest that the money of the bureau was obtained for the purpose of financing this school.

Mr. Brooks then dealt with specific charges against the accused, and in concluding his opening statement, told the Magistrate that it was not the prosecution's wish that the Court deal harshly with the accused, and did not ask for his committal. The prosecution had not been brought with a view to securing the refund of the money, which was amply covered by the accused's \$3,000 guarantee. The object of bringing the man to Court was merely to protect the people who have put money into the concern and as an example to people who employ labour to see that nothing of this nature happens.

The accused was remanded.

SINGAPORE BASE.

Reported Decision by Home Government.

London, May 20.
According to Truth, the Government has decided that the Singapore Naval Base must be completed.—Straits Times.

The Archbishop of Malta and the Bishop of Gozo have issued a joint pastoral letter, stating that it will be a "mortal sin" for any Maltese Roman Catholic to vote for the Communist Party at the impending elections.

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The OVERLAND CHINA MAIL this week contains a full description of the observance of Empire Day in the Colony, and the text of the special services for children held in connection with the celebrations.

An intriguing "inner" story of the return to the Canton Opium Suppression Bureau of 66,000 taels of material seized by local Revenue men in March, is an exclusive feature of the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL. The huge seizure, which is described as being Yunnan raw opium, was found aboard a nameless launch which ran aground in Hong Kong waters. But after lengthy representations, it was found to be "material for the manufacture of anti-opium medicine" and was accordingly handed back!

A sensation was caused in Chinese circles by a brutal murder of five people in a bank. The maddened assailant then attempted self-destruction, but was overpowered, and taken to hospital. A full report appears in the OVERLAND CHINA MAIL.

Yet another trial was stopped by the jury at the recent Criminal Sessions. In this case, a Chinese was charged with murderous assault during the strike of 1925. The victim had since died, and counsel for the defence had some scathing comment to make about the case. The OVERLAND CHINA MAIL carries a complete report.

The Colony said a reluctant "Good-bye" during the week to two well-known figures in the community. The OVERLAND CHINA MAIL has the only complete account of a presentation by Chinese teachers to Mr. E. Ralphs, acting Director of Education, who has devoted 35 years to the cause in the Colony. Colleagues in the Police Force also bade "farewell" to Inspector Donald Macdonald, who is retiring after 22 years' service. The presentation by brother officers, together with particulars of the Inspector's career, is fully described in the present issue.

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MANILA.		
TENYO MARU	Friday	6th June.
HONKAY via Singapore, Penang, & Colombo.		
SADO MARU	Wednesday	11th June.
TOTTORI MARU	Friday	29th June.
SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico & Panama.		
ANTO MARU	Sunday	1st June.
SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape Town & Ports.		
WAKASA MARU	Thursday	5th June.
NEW YORK, BOSTON via Panama.		
TATSUNO MARU	Wednesday	26th June.
LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Stambul (Constantinople), Genoa.		
DAKAR MARU (Cala Saigon)	Monday	8th June.
CAICUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.		
HAKODATE MARU	Sunday	8th June.
MALACCA MARU	Sunday	15th June.
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RIO DE JANEIRO MARU	Friday	13th June.
CELEBES MARU	Tuesday	3rd June.
SUMATRA MARU	Thursday	19th June.
OURBAN, LOURENCO MARQUES, BEIRA, DALES-SALAAM, ZANZI, BAR & MOMBASA—Via Singapore & Colombo.		
CHICAGO MARU	Sunday	1st June.
CAICUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.		
GANGES MARU	Sunday	1st June.
TACOMA MARU	Wednesday	13th June.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Japan Ports from Shanghai.		
MELBOURNE—Via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.		
SYDNEY MARU	Thursday	6th June.
HONKONG—Via Heliow & Pakhoi.		
MENADO MARU	Thursday	12th June.
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports & Panama.		
HAGUE MARU	Sunday	1st June.
JAPAN PORTS.		
BORNEO MARU	Friday	6th June.
ATLAS MARU	Wednesday	11th June.
KEELING—Via Swatow & Amoy.		
HOZAN MARU	Sunday	1st June, 3 p.m.
CANTON MARU	Sunday	8th June, 3 p.m.
TAKAO—Via Swatow & Amoy.		
DEL MARU	Thursday	5th June, Noon.
BARAO & KEELING.		
BATAVIA MARU	Tuesday	10th June.

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AMSTERDAM'S NEW LOCK.

ADDITION TO PORT'S FACILITIES.

The opening by the Queen of Holland of the new entrance lock to the North Sea Canal, leading to the port of Amsterdam, is an event of outstanding importance in commercial and shipping affairs. The lock is of gigantic size, far exceeding anything of the kind hitherto constructed; it has taken ten years to build, and the cost has been about 18 million guilders, say a million and a half sterling.

Although not ranking on precisely the same level with the three great seaports of North-Western Europe, Amsterdam, the commercial metropolis of Holland, has a considerable volume of overseas trade which entitles it to a prominent place in the European hierarchy. This trade which has accrued to the city through centuries of historical vicissitudes, entails upon its authorities no little responsibility in these modern times in maintaining a standard of accessibility and accommodation commensurate with the rapid advances in shipbuilding. Unfortunately, Amsterdam is not favourably endowed by nature with a physical environment suited to its needs and its ambitions as a port.

As far back as the beginning of the 19th century it was recognised that the Zuider Zee afforded no suitable approach, nor means of providing one, for the larger class of vessels frequenting the port. Artificial measures were inevitable, and the Great North Holland Sea Canal was constructed from Nieuwediep, near the Texel Roads, with a length of 49 miles and a serviceable draft of 17 feet. It was opened in 1825, and sufficed for barely 30 years, when conditions again became difficult.

Canal Opened in 1876. An old scheme of making a short cut direct to the North Sea was then revived, and in 1863 it was decided to construct a canal with an outlet on the western seaboard, including a harbour and lock entrances at the little village (as it then was) of Ymuiden. This canal was constructed and opened in 1876. It has a length of 15½ miles, an enlarged bottom to width of 164 feet, and it now affords passage to vessels drawing up to about 31 or 32 feet.

The water in the canal is impounded at fairly constant level, which relieves it from the tidal fluctuations (normally between 5 and 6 feet) of the North Sea and makes the stretch of water from Ymuiden to Amsterdam practically a large inland dock. At the time of its construction it was provided with a couple of entrance locks, the larger of which was 394 feet long by 60 feet wide, with a depth of 26½ feet over sills. These dimensions soon proved to be too small, and within 20 years a new and larger lock had to be provided. It was constructed alongside the existing pair and given dimensions 737 feet by 81 feet, with a depth of 33 feet over sill. It was brought into use in 1896.

Again shipping developments rapidly overtook the accommodation provided. The early years of the 20th century witnessed a rapid increase in size of vessels, and in 1909 it was recognised that further measures would have to be deferred until its close. By 1919 the situation demanded prompt attention, and in that year was commenced the undertaking which is now at the point of completion and

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which it is expected to put into commission before the end of the current year.

Unique and Unapproachable. The new lock has a length of 400 metres (1,312 feet), a width of 50 metres (164 feet), and a depth of water over sill of 15 metres (59 feet). It far exceeds in size the locks of the Panama Canal (1,000 feet by 110 feet by 42 feet), and also those of the Kaiser Wilhelm or Kiel Canal (1,083 feet by 148 feet, by 45 feet). As a great ship canal lock, in fact, the new structure stands unique and unapproachable. The Gladstone Lock at Liverpool is of notable size, 1,070 feet long by 180 feet wide, but it is scarcely comparable with the Ymuiden Lock.

So striking an addition to the port facilities of Amsterdam indicates a profound faith on the part of its administrators in the future development of the port and the part it is destined to play in commerce during the years that are to come. Up to the present its shipping and trade returns have only been of moderate dimensions compared with those of its three great competitors in the North-West of Europe. Hamburg, Rotterdam and Antwerp handle goods at their respective quays of the order of 20 to 40 million tons per annum. At Amsterdam the quantity is in the neighbourhood of 5 to 6 millions. Yet these figures, relative in themselves, fail to take into account many factors which make for the prosperity of a port, and which cannot be overlooked in estimating its prospects.

Amsterdam has a great number of warehouses and an appreciable entrepot trade, which signifies more business than the simple transshipment of goods over-side, such as is largely characteristic of Rotterdam, and swells its enormous total with tonnages destined, not for the port itself but for the great inland industrial centres served by the waterways of the Rhine and its tributaries.

Amsterdam is most akin perhaps to Hamburg, the great entrepot port of Western Europe, with its numerous waterside warehouses and "fleets" bordered stores, in which are housed huge quantities of goods for local marketing and consumption. Amsterdam is a very important centre for trade in tobacco, coffee, cinchona bark, rubber, coconuts, sugar, timber, copra, oranges, spices, dried fruits and rice.

The North Sea Canal has proved an asset of the greatest value to the port, and has altogether superseded the approaches by the North Holland Canal and the Zuider Zee, though these still remain in operation for the smaller classes of vessels frequenting the port. The tonnage of shipping entering the port via the North Sea Canal has increased consistently many times over since 1876, despite the setback and almost total cessation of movement during the war. The canal has been deepened in accordance with the dimensions of new locks. Provisionally a depth of 12.50 metres (41 feet) is being provided, to be increased ultimately to 15 metres (50 feet).

A notable feature of the Amsterdam shipping traffic is the number of regular lines, in which there is a resemblance to Antwerp. Many of them are engaged on services to and from Great Britain and British Dominions and Colonies. Liverpool has a weekly service; London three or four services a week. Other services run to Hull, Leith, Manchester, Dublin, Bristol, Swansea, Plymouth and Cork.

EMPRESS OF BRITAIN

To Be Launched by Prince of Wales.

Montreal, Quebec. An announcement here by President E. W. Beatty of the Canadian Pacific Railway states that H.R.H. the Prince of Wales has graciously consented to act as sponsor for the Empress of Britain, new Canadian Pacific liner which will be launched on the Clyde on June 11. Expressing gratification that His Royal Highness has promised to find time for this event, Mr. Beatty says that his action is a royal compliment to Canada as much as to the Canadian Pacific.

The launching of the 40,000-ton liner will open a new epoch in Canadian trans-Atlantic traffic. President Beatty states. Her speed will make possible a crossing of five days, and she will greatly shorten the journey between Europe and Canada and the middle and western United States. The Empress of Britain will be 756 feet in total length, 77½ feet in beam, and she will have a speed of 24 knots. Passenger accommodation is being provided for 1,100 people. She will be the most luxurious liner in the world, being built by John Brown and Sons on the Clyde.

NEW R. L. MOTOR SHIP.

BALOEAN ARRIVES ON MAIDEN VOYAGE.

Singapore residents who were the guests of the Rotterdam Lloyd Royal Mail Line at lunch or tea on board the new motor ship Baloean, outward bound to the Dutch East Indies on her voyage, left with a sigh.

"Wish we were coming with you," they said, with conviction but no originality, for the luxury, comfort, spaciousness, beauty and charm of this giant 17,000-ton liner make one feel like that.

There is something distinctly "trans-Atlantic" about the Baloean. "She's big," you think, as you look up at her from the wharf-side, towering above you like a four-storeyed building. "She's bigger than I thought," you realise, when once you are on board, climbing the magnificent double staircases which connect the dining room and the various decks. And then, quite naturally, you begin to speculate how easy it would be to lose yourself on board this artistically appointed floating hotel.

Electric Lifts. There are two electric lifts to whisk you from deck to deck; there is a large open-air swimming-bath measuring 27 feet by 20 feet; there is a delightful upper promenade deck, with a front entirely of glass which enables passengers, even when seated in their deck chairs, to obtain an unobstructed view ahead; there is a nursery and children's playground; there are lobbies, social-halls, smoking rooms and dining rooms—all spacious, comfortable and artistic and each with a distinctive charm of its own.

The Kitchens. But, to the Briton, it is probably the special sports deck—a splendid idea—which makes one of the strongest appeals. Measuring 60 feet by 44 feet this deck is, indeed, an acquisition.

The service department—including a very complete kitchen, sculleries, pantries, ovens, cooking galleries and a laundry—leaves nothing to be desired and everything in it is kept spotlessly clean. But what pleases the ladies most is a completely equipped ironing-room for the use of the passengers.

The Cabins. But the traveller looks first to the cabins and, here again, the Baloean scores. In all she can carry 638 passengers—238 first class, 280 second, 70 third and 48 fourth. Of the 160 cabins in the first class no fewer than 82 are single berth cabins, the remainder all being double cabins.

In the second saloon a feature is the unusually large number of double deck cabins in which accommodation for 180 of the 280 passengers is provided. And the cabins, too, are large and well-appointed.

The Engine Room. No account of the Baloean would be complete without a reference to the engine room, which is a marvel of compactness and gigantic, incomprehensible complexity. The main engine-room rather reminds one of a cathedral full of machinery. Climbing three or four flights of stairs to the dome, as it were, one looks down dizzily into the depths, without the faintest glimmering of enlightenment, in spite of careful explanations, upon the source from which springs the power which drives 17,000 tons through the water at 19 knots. One then wipes one's fingers with a piece of cotton waste



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Maiden Voyage from Hong Kong Aug. 7th

CANADIAN PACIFIC WORLD'S GREATEST TRAVEL SYSTEM

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MAY—JUNE SAILINGS.			
Charms of Yuetching	so encouraging as in Hong Kong 5.30 p.m. Wuchow 1.30 p.m.	DEPARTURE HOURS:	
Goddess "the old days," it will probably be the old-timer who knows Yuetching, on the West River. There is a goddess there who is famous throughout the province of Kwangtung. This year, the celebration will be on a very ambitious scale. Many of the gaudy tow-boats which constitute the life-blood of West River ports will be at Yuetching for as long as four or five days, leaving very few in the trade. Yes, Yuetching! At festival time is well worth seeing! This year, the festival falls on Wednesday, June 4th. The two comfortable steamers s.s. "Tai Ming" and s.s. "Tai Hing" which go up to the West River will visit this place.			

—though this is really a mere formality on the Baloean for the engine room is prodigiously clean—and tries to take off the hat one is not, of course, wearing, to the Chief and his 17 engineers. Then one can descend into "the crypt" and take quite a long walk by the side of one of the two ponderous propeller shafts to the point where it disappears out through the stern. If only one could understand it all a visit to such an engine-room would be a liberal education. In any case it helps to take the conceit out of one.

The Officers and the Crew. But when one has said a few of the things one would like to say concerning the Baloean, what can one say of the officers and those members of the crew with whom one came in contact? The officers made the most thoughtful of hosts and all spoke English so perfectly that one felt immediately at home. And the stewards were as polite as they were efficient. One felt that here was a ship run efficiently in every department.—Straits Times.

H.M.S. CARADOC.

H.M.S. Caradoc is scheduled to leave Plymouth for China on July 22, and is due to arrive in Hong Kong on September 15.

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*TALAMBA	8,018	6th June	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
TAKADA	6,949	21st June	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
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	Tons	From Hong Kong About	Destination
*JEYPORE	5,318	2nd June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TALMA	10,000	5th June	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KARMALA	9,128	8th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
ST. ALBANS	4,500	10th June	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
SHIRALA	7,841	11th June	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
MOOREA	10,954	20th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KALYAN	9,144	4th July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
RAJPUTANA	16,558	18th July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KASHMIR	9,965	1st Aug.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
MANUVA	10,948	15th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KASHGAR	9,905	29th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
MALWA	10,980	12th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KHYBER	9,114	26th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
MOREA	10,954	10th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
MACEONIA	11,120	24th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.

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Underwriters. The boat, although
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her specified capacity of 9,000
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The New York City authorities,
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where they will be examined by
Messrs. Anderson & Asho on the
2nd June, 1930, at 10 a.m.

All claims against the vessel must
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the 7th June, 1930, or they will
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Tsao via Stow & Shai	CHAKSANG	Sun., 8th June at 10 a.m.
Tsao via Stow & Shai	KWANGSANG	Wed., 11th June at 10 a.m.
S'pore, Penang & Calcutta	YUENSANG	Sat., 31st May at 5 p.m.
S'pore, Penang & Calcutta	KUMSANG	Fri., 6th June at 3 p.m.
Amoy	SUISANG	Fri., 6th June at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Shanghai	KUTSANG	Wed., 18th June at 7 a.m.
Moji & Kobe	HOSANG	Thurs., 26th June at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Moji	YUENSANG	Wed., 9th July at 7 a.m.
Kobe	MAUSANG	Wed., 11th June at 3 p.m.
Sandakan	HINSANG	Sat., 21st June at 3 p.m.
Sandakan	CHONGSHING	Wed., 11th June at 7 a.m.
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WARSHIPS IN PORT

British warships in port this morn-
ing were:—

In Basin of R.N. Dockyard:
Tamar, Sirdar, Clegh.
North Arm, Marston, Stormcloud.
In Dock: Bruce, Tarantula, Moth.
No. 2 Buoy: Hermes.
No. 6 Buoy: Suffolk.
No. 8 Buoy: Somme.
Foreign men-o-war in port were:—
Portuguese Cruiser Adamastor.
U.S. Gunboat Helena.

HONG KONG TIDE

The tide-table given below has
been obtained by aid of the Tide-pre-
dicting Machine, which includes 40
components for the better prediction
of tides; from the result of the
analysis of the tidal observations,
taken at the Kowloon tidal observa-
tory under the direction of Dr.
Dobereck during the years 1887, 1888
and 1889.

The times and heights are given
for Kowloon; but they may be used
for the Victoria Naval Yard and
Abodeen, the differences being very
small.

The times of high and low-water
must not be considered to coincide
with the times of slack-water and
change of current, the two phenomena
being quite distinct.

May 30 to June 5, 1930.

	DATE	HIGH WATER	LOWER WATER
		Standard times	Standard times
Fri.	May 30	10 1 8.0	3 31 0.0
Sat.	May 31	10 43 3.9	3 39 0.0
Sun.	June 1	11 10 3.9	3 38 0.1
Mon.	June 2	11 37 7.7	4 45 3.4
Tues.	June 3	12 30 7.7	5 24 3.6
Wed.	June 4	1 28 7.3	6 40 3.6
Thurs.	June 5	2 28 6.9	7 54 3.9
		3 31 6.5	9 10 4.0
		4 53 6.5	10 25 3.7
		6 53 6.5	11 43 3.7

STEAM DRIFTER'S VOYAGE.

With a flag bearing the words
"Why Not?" floating at her
masthead, the small Lowestoft steam
drifter Fume (41 tons) has left
Fleetwood on a voyage of 11,000
miles to Mauritius, East Africa. The
voyage is one of the longest ever at-
tempted by so small a craft, which
is carrying 10 men. Commander
J. E. Capstickdale, of the Royal
Australian Naval Reserve, and man-
ager of the Reptel Steam Fishing
Company, Port Louis, Mauritius, is
in charge and will be helped in the
work of navigation by Captain W. R.
Wilkinson, also of the Royal Aus-
tralian Naval Reserve.

Four natives of Mauritius are
engaged in the engine-room, and
Captain W. Ellis, of Fleetwood is
going out as fishing skipper. The
vessel, 98ft. long, was built at Oulton
Broad in 1918, and has been bought
from the Vigilant Steam Fishing
Company, of Lowestoft, by Com-
mander Capstickdale. The voyage
will be made in stages of about 2,500
miles each, and is expected to take
from 10 to 12 weeks.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE

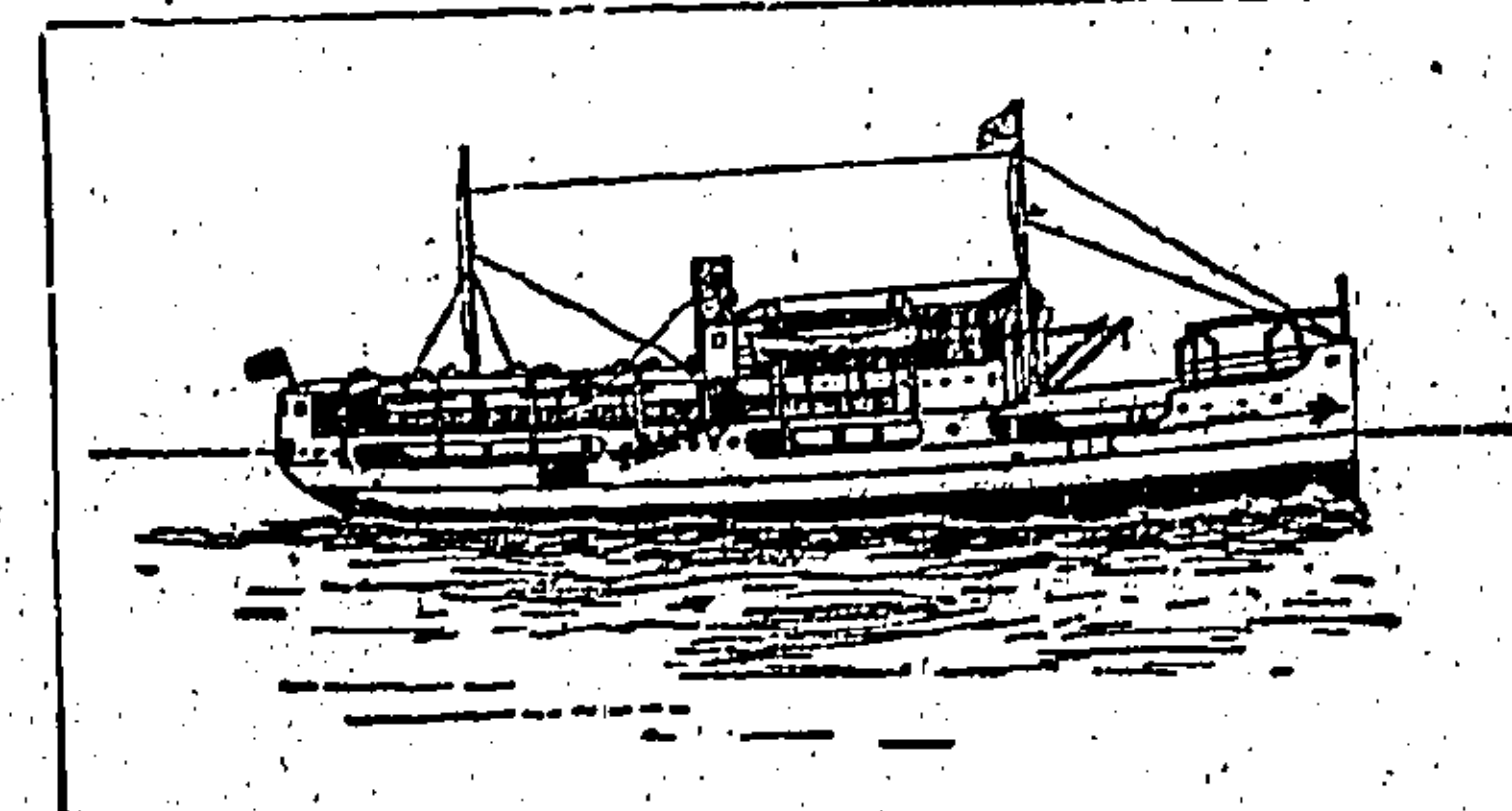
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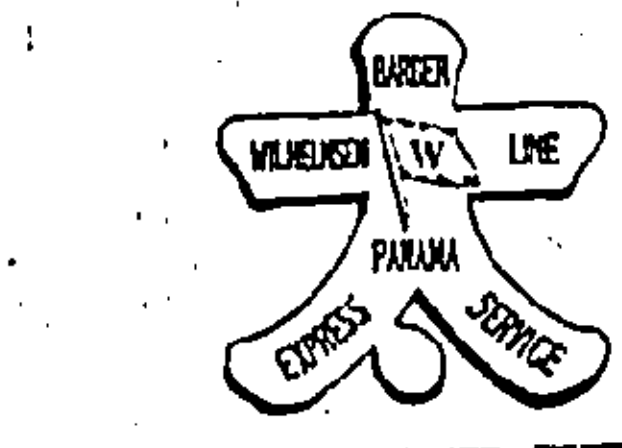
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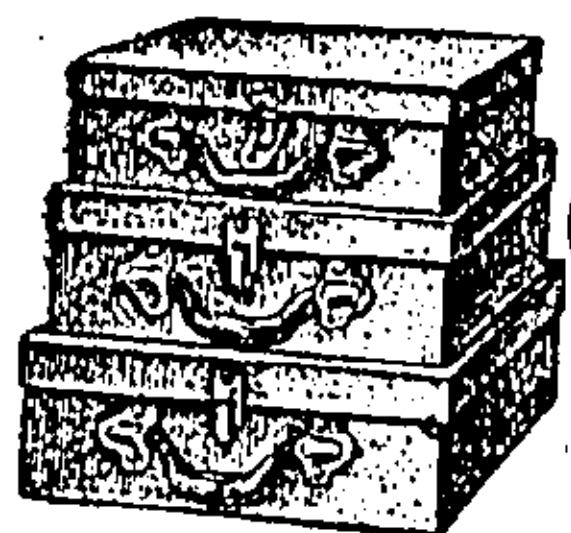
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DEATH

MAY.—On May 27, in England,
following an operation, Esme,
beloved wife of George Thomas
May, A. P. Co., Hong Kong.
Deeply regretted.

Hong Kong, Friday, May 30, 1930.

EDUCATION.

No nation may be called great
which neglects its children. Had
not Great Britain, a century or
so ago, repealed those Acts under
which children were allowed to
work in mines and factories
under the age of twelve, she
might now how her head in
shame. It is the boast of our
politicians, however, that we do
look after our children. In recent
years many of the much-needed
reforms in regard to minors
have owed their birth to the in-
spired energies of women, such
as Miss Margaret Bondfield, Lady
Astor, Mrs. Phillips, and
others. Lady Astor's Bill, pro-
hibiting the sale of liquor to per-
sons under the age of seventeen
on licensed premises, was a tour
de force for the feminist cause
as well as a notable addition to the
moral achievements of post-war
legislation. There have been
other enactments of which our
country has every reason to be
proud, but that a great deal of
ground has still to be covered is
shown by the fact that only after
tortuous pleas and persuasions has
the Government at last deigned
to consider the substitution of a
longer period of education for
children instead of leaving them
to receive the dose.

Under the Government's Educa-

tion Bill, which passed its second
reading in the House of Commons
yesterday, the school-leaving age
is raised from fourteen to
fifteen years. According to the
official report, this change "in-
volves over half a million chil-
dren." Actually, it will be one of
the greatest moral victories the
present Government has ever
won, if the Bill is enacted. Four-
teen is the most impressionable
age in a human being's life, and
the demoralising influence upon
those children who are forced,
through economic forces beyond
our immediate control, to accept a
pauper's allowance from the
State cannot be exaggerated in
its gravity. The principles of de-
cency and self-respect which they
have acquired at school are nat-
tered by this humiliation, which
must in many cases alter the so-
cial outlook and weaken the
moral fibre of the recipient. The
Education Bill promises to alter
all this. Its other advantageous
effect is that it will enable a hun-
dred thousand or more deserving
adult cases to receive unemploy-
ment benefit.

It would be going too far even
to suggest that the Bill is a step
forward toward the solution of
the unemployment problem, but it
is a happy compromise with a
two-fold beneficial effect. It will
be well worth the annual burden
of \$5,000,000, which the British
taxpayer is promised as the cost
of the new Act when in operation,
for if as a result of this higher
education the standards of moral-
ity, character, and intelligence of
the young people of Britain are
correspondingly raised, we shall
have every reason to bless the far-
sighted policy that fathered it.
The youth to-day in Great Brit-
tain among the lower classes has
developed under an atmosphere of
stagnant irresponsibility—the
heritage of the War. The after-
math of any great social upheaval
often deteriorates a section of a
nation's manhood, and that, in
turn, is bound to have a repercus-
sion upon the youth. There is
everything in the environment of
our cities and in our modern so-
cial life to encourage apathy, lack
of independence, and the accept-
ance of the law of the line of least
resistance. In education we lag
sadly behind the United States,
where psychology as applied to
juvenile education has enabled
the teacher to treat and prescribe
for the individual. Splendid work
has been done for education by
scholastic bodies and by the un-
derstanding individual work of teachers
themselves, yet the work must
be judged by its results. There

are too many failures in life not
to blame our educational system;
and the family system is equally
at fault. There is not sufficient
co-operation between the teacher
and the parent, the more ignorant
of whom still regard the compul-
sory element in State education as
something opposed to their inter-
ests and those of their children.
Until this medieval attitude is
changed little can be done to bet-
ter the present system, in spite
of the tears of patient teachers
and the occasional grants of bene-
volent Governments.

News in Brief

The Netherland Indian Govern-
ment has rescinded the quarantine
measures against Amoy, declared a
plague-infected port on May 17.

The China Mail has received a
copy of the May issue of the Yellow
Dragon from Queen's College. In
addition to the usual school notes
a long instalment is published of an
article on "A Glimpse of the West
River."

Mr. D. Kinloch, of 376 The Peak,
has reported to the Police the loss of
an Axminster carpet, which is stated
to have been either stolen or lost
while in transit from his residence
to Whiteaway, Laidlaw & Co. Limit-
ed, to be dry-cleaned.

A Chinese constable, while on
patrol in the Peak district, found
some seditious papers and took them
to the Central Police Station. In
connection with this a Chinese, has
been arrested and is being detained
for further enquiries.

That Britain is declining, his-
torically, relatively, and in many
other respects, was a motion which
was carried by 11 votes to 8 at a
debate by members of the St.
Andrew's Club last night. The
proposition was led by the Rev.
E. A. Armstrong, while the opposi-
tion was led by the Rev. W. Walton
Rogers.

A free licence and \$2 capital
money was ordered by Mr. A. W.
G. H. Grantham, to-day, to be paid
out of the Court's poor box to a
Chinese boy who was charged be-
fore him with hawking without a
licence. The boy's mother, who
said that she was 55 years of age
and infirm, pleaded for leniency for
her son, who was driven to hawk
because he had nothing to eat.

That Indian Policemen were noted
for their messing up of cases and
appearance as bad witnesses, was a
comment made by Sergeant Barnicle
at the Kowloon Magistracy to-day,
when Mr. Whyte-Smith discharged
a Chinese, charged with hawking
bean curd without a licence, on the
ground that the evidence given by
an Indian P.C. was a little doubtful.
His Worship remarked that this con-
stable had given unsatisfactory
evidence in one or two cases before.

LEPER BEGGAR.

A Nuisance in Queen's
Road.

AUTHORITIES' QUANDARY.

A Chinese leper was to-day
charged before Mr. A. W. G. H.
Grantham with begging in Queen's
Road.

Sub-Inspector Dick stated that
he had himself taken compassion
on the accused and given him \$1
on two occasions, to get out of the
Colony, being 60 cents for fare
on a native junk, and 40 cents
for food during the trip. How-
ever, he persisted in returning.
Because of his disease, the ac-
cused could not be sent to the
jail, and the Police were at a loss
to know what to do with him.
There is a leper settlement in
Canton to which lepers were sent
formerly, but now accommodation
there is so taxed that no more can
be admitted unless a special paper
is obtained from a Missionary
Society.

Gruesome Exhibition.
The accused made himself a
regular nuisance in Queen's Road
Central exhibiting the stumps of
his hands. When arrested he
had a hat in which were about 70
cents in coppers.

The Inspector added that he did
not know what other money the
accused had on his person, re-
marking: "Personally I would
not care to search him." They
could send the accused to Deep
Bay as the most inexpensive
means of getting rid of him, but
from experience it was practically
useless, because it was found
that beggars who were sent there
usually managed to conceal them-
selves on a ferry launch or other
craft and return to Hong Kong,
sometimes even before the Police
launch which had taken them out
had come back.

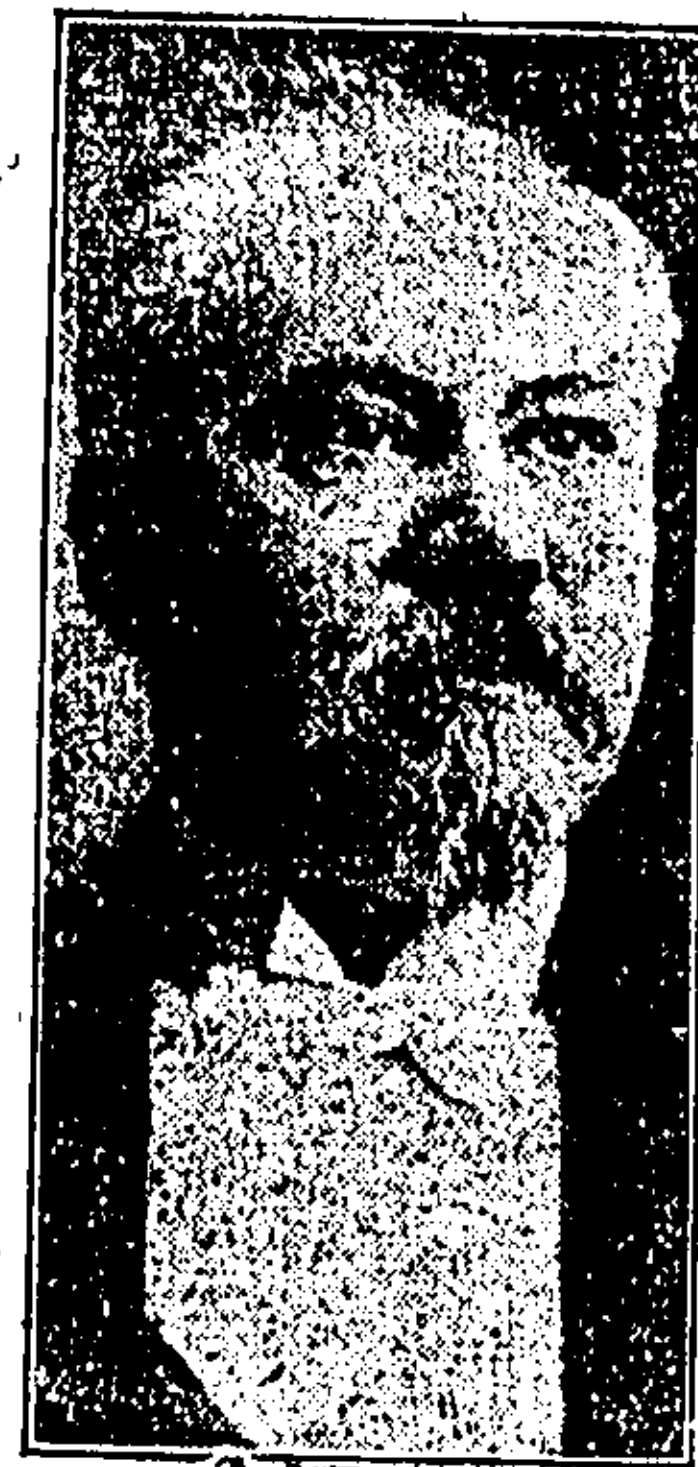
A Stern Warning.
He suggested that the best that
could be done with the accused
was for the Magistrate to admin-
ister a stern warning, then the

UNITED STATES OF EUROPE.

PLAN UNDER WHICH BRITAIN
WOULD HAVE TO KEEP OUT.

M. POINCARE'S CRITICISM.

Paris, Yesterday.
Commenting on M. Briand's
plan for a United States of
Europe, M. Raymond Poincare
thinks that the welcome accorded
to it by the nations to which it
was addressed was polite but gen-
erally not encouraging. It has



M. Poincare.

been made apparent that Europe
(if such entity exists) still has
many stages to pass before attain-
ing the goal aimed at.

M. Poincare raises the question
of whether the Soviet and Bri-
tain will join, and challenges the
suggestion that Britain should
keep out of the United States of
Europe because of her position in
a world empire. France is in an
even more embarrassing position,
because her Parliament has colon-
ial representatives entitled to in-
terpellate the Government in re-
gard to what is happening in the
European Association.—Reuter.

RANGOON RIOTS.

Military Police Open
Fire.

Rangoon, Yesterday.
A gang of Burmese last night
attacked some Andhras near the
hospital, and the military police
opened fire and restored order.

The situation in the city this
morning showed a further slight
improvement, but shipping is still
at a standstill.

The hospital casualty list gives
81 dead, and 657 Hindus, 29
Muslims, 68 Burmese, 13 Chinese,
and 5 Europeans and Anglo-
Indians wounded.—Reuter.

DRUG FACTORY.

Successful Raid in
Peking.

Peking, Yesterday.
The Chinese police, assisted by the
Legation police, raided an alleged
drug factory in the Legation Quarter
yesterday, and seized quantities of
heroin and morphia, and appliances
for the manufacture of drugs.
They took into custody twelve
Chinese.

The premises were formerly used
by the late Mr. George Frodham
as a warehouse.

The vernacular papers assert
that the factory represents a capital
investment of \$300,000.—Reuter.

ECCLESIASTICAL LAWYERS.

The death of Mr. Aubrey Law-
rence removes one who was better
known to the public than the
generality of ecclesiastical law-
yers. At the best they are a small
band, for with the withdrawal last
century of probate and marriage
causes from the jurisdiction of the
Church Courts the field of practice
was greatly restricted.

Mr. Lawrence was chancellor,
vicar-general, and official principal
of no fewer than seven dioceses.
In other words, he was the judge
appointed by the bishop in each
case to preside in his name over
the Consistory Court.

The choice of a successor or, no
doubt, successors, in these offices
is necessarily narrow. Two names
mentioned are those of Mr. Mar-
shall Freeman, Recorder of Stam-
ford, and Mr. J. A. Price, both of
whom are much consulted in ec-
clesiastical matters.

Police could lock him up in an
isolated cell pending arrange-
ments for sending him away
again.

The Magistrate took this
course and warned the accused
that, if he was found in the
Colony again, all his money would
be taken away from him.

U.S. NAVAL POWER IN THE FAR EAST.

"SHOULD HAVE A HARD TIME
IN WINNING A WAR."

ADMIRAL'S OUTBURST.

Washington, Yesterday.
The Senate Naval Committee
has concluded the hearing of
evidence in regard to the London
Treaty. The final witnesses in-
cluded Admiral Robison, who
testified that the United States
would get insufficient eight-inch
guns and too many six-inch. He
urged that the concessions to
Japan under the Treaty amounted
to a partial surrender of Ameri-
can sovereignty in the Philippines.
"We are worse off in every com-
batant vessel. We shall find our-
selves in insurmountable difficul-
ties in the Far East. I don't mean
that we should lose a war, but we
should have a hard time winning
it."

Two Senators expressed the
opinion that the reservations to
the Treaty were necessary. The
Senate passed a Bill providing
\$80,000,000 for the Navy.—Reu-
ter's American Service.

NINETEEN WRITS!

Broad Shouldered Man
Disputes Them All.

AN INVASION OF WOMEN.

It is not very usual for a defend-
ant to find himself called on to
answer to no fewer than nineteen
summons, but such is the un-
enviable lot of Tso Yan-pak, who
appeared this morning in the Sum-
mary Court before Mr. Justice J. R.
Wood.

The plaintiffs in all these writs
are women of the coolie class, and
when they paraded before the
Puisne Judge this morning, they
formed a formidable array.

Mr. R. A. Wadson, who appear-
ed for the defendant, gave them a
good "look-over" and quietly asked
his Lordship to fix a date for the
hearing of the cases.

The defendant, Mr. Wadson,
said, was the owner of a piece of
land. He contracted with a firm of
building contractors to build houses
thereon. The firm sub-let the con-
tract to another party, and these
women were engaged by the sub-
contractor, who had since absconded.
The women had no right to sue the
owner for the recovery of any wages
due to them.

When this was interpreted
to the women, they shout-
ed out in one voice that
that was not the real pos-
ition. It was true that they were
engaged by the sub-contractor, but
when they threatened to cease work
because they had not been paid and
had no money to buy food, the owner
came forward and asked them to
continue, saying that if they could
not get payment from the sub-
contractor, he would pay them him-
self. "A promise is a promise and
he must pay," they said!

His Lordship fixed June 4 at 2
p.m. for the hearing of the case.
The claims amount in all to
about \$500.

Mr. Henry Twitchin, of Portland
Place, W., formerly a sheep farmer
in Australia, has bequeathed a sum
of £100,000 to further the cause of
eugenics.

An inquest on the 14-year-old son
of the vicar of St. Thomas's,
Barrowford, who was found hanged
at the vicarage, was adjourned. The
coroner remarked that there was
mystery concerning the tragedy.

Mrs. Elizabeth Bethune Campbell,
the first woman to argue an appeal
before a Judicial Committee of the
Privy Council, had a judgment given
in her favour.

The Burgomaster of Amsterdam,
who is a guest of the Lord Mayor
and Lady Mayoress, accompanied his
host on a number of civic engage-
ments.

Ten Years Ago

(From the "China Mail"
May 30, 1920.)

To-day's dollar is worth 4/-
11/4d.

The s.s. Fausang of the Indo-
China Steam Navigation Com-
pany, struck and grounded on the
rocks near Hoihow, while en-
route from Hongkong to Hong Kong,
with 2,000 tons of coal.

The Naval authorities have des-
patched the H.M.S. Fame to the
scene having on board as passen-
ger Captain Wheeler, the Marine
Superintendent of the Indo-China
Company.

The European officers are still
on board, but the Chinese crew
has been brought to Hong Kong.
The Fausang is a vessel of 3,000
tons. Latest reports indicate that
her holds and engine rooms are
flooded, and that the ship is quite
badly damaged.

"ILL-CONSIDERED COMPETITION."

(Continued from Page 1.)

stands at £235,469, 14s. 8d. and as our Dividend costs us £270,000 it would appear from the Balance Sheet that our interest is £34,530-5s. 4d. less than the Dividend payable. These figures are affected by exchange and do not show the position fully.

As you are aware the Society owns the majority of the shares in five Subsidiary Companies, viz., the British Traders' Insurance Company, Limited, The China Fire Insurance Company, Limited, the North China Insurance Company, Limited, The Yangtze Insurance Association Limited, and the Far Eastern Insurance Company, Limited. None of these Companies at the present time are paying away more than their interest in Dividend (except the "British Traders" which on the 1928 Account pays a small amount of £576-0s.10d. in excess) and in certain cases they are paying away rather less. If the full interest were paid away by these Companies the interest of the Society would be increased by approximately £20,000 and I therefore estimate that at December 31, 1929, the interest covered the Society's Dividend by all but about £15,000.

In view of the uncertainty of exchange it has been decided not to increase the Dividends of the subsidiary Companies.

You will realise that a large percentage of the silver investments shown in the Balance Sheet at £1,524,419-2s.3d. are represented by holdings in our subsidiary Companies, "The China Fire" and "The Yangtze" and although these Companies' Capitals are in silver you will realise that they have considerable holdings in Gold securities.

Business Transacted.
Commenting now upon the business transacted by the Society, the result of its Marine Underwriting during the years 1928 and 1929, considering the times, has not been unsatisfactory, although after payment of our final Dividend for 1928 owing to the drop in exchange the amount carried to Underwriting Suspense Account is less than in the preceding year. Our Underwriting Suspense Account however is in a strong position to meet third year's claims as these occur.

Profit Maintained.
A pleasing feature of our Report is that we have been able to maintain our profit on the 1929 Account as at December 31 1929 as compared with the 1928 Account at the end of the first year, the balance being £140,790-1s.4d. this being an increase over the previous year notwithstanding the decrease in the Sterling value of the Dollar and the consequent decrease in the Sterling equivalent of our interest.

The combined result of our Fire and General business for the year 1929 was not unfavourable and left a fair profit after setting up all the necessary reserves.

Society's Strong Position.
Our business is well spread and world-wide and the Society is in a good position to reap the benefit of any improvement in general conditions. I am confident that our organisation throughout the world is well set up and controlled, and I have every confidence that the prosperity of the Society will respond to improved trading conditions.

Investments.
Turning now to our investments it will be of interest to Shareholders to know that the market value of the investments held by the Society and its Affiliated Companies on December 31 last, issued in Great Britain and comprising British Government and other first class Sterling Securities, amounted approximately to £940,000. This figure shows a depreciation of about £45,000 as compared with the prices ruling on December 31 1928. As you are aware, prices of first class securities in the London Market for various reasons were low at the close of the year. There has, however, been a good recovery since that date.

American Holdings.
The Society and its Affiliated Companies have investments in the United States of America totalling a little over one million Sterling these being made up of Government Securities, Railroad Bonds, a limited number of Debentures in high class Public Utility Companies and in a few Industrial undertakings.

The excellence of our Securities in that country is borne out by the fact that the debacle which occurred last year on the New York Stock Exchange did not affect our position, our Stocks showing at the end of the year an appreciation on their purchase price and further we have not a single Security in that country which is not paying its interest in full. The Society's investments are very carefully looked after by your United States Managers, Messrs. Marsh & McLennan, Inc.

Paying Securities.
It will further interest you to know that with the exception of some small holding in certain securities purchased prior to the Great War, and which are valued in our Books at £4,123-0s.4d. we have not a Security on the Books of the

Society and of its Affiliated Companies which is not paying its interest in full.

You are all aware, Gentlemen, of the many difficulties with which the business of insurance has had to be faced during the last few years, these difficulties being accentuated by depressed conditions of trade. I think you will agree that under all the circumstances the position the Society finds itself in reflects credit upon the General Manager, Agents and Staff.

Staff Changes.
Since we last met Mr. E. W. C. de Gyalay has retired from his position of General Manager for Australia and his resignation was accepted by your Board with regret. Mr. Gyalay was first engaged by the Society in 1907 and has given devoted and efficient service. I am sure you will all join with me in wishing him a very happy retirement.

Mr. Trevor Gould, the Assistant General Manager for Australasia, has been appointed to the post vacated by Mr. Gyalay and Mr. R. C. Langker has recently been appointed Assistant General Manager in the place of Mr. Gould. We all wish these gentlemen success in their new appointments.

Secunder's Speech.
Mr. A. H. Ferguson, in seconding the motion, said:

Mr. Chairman, and Gentlemen:—It gives me great pleasure to second the Report and the Accounts. We have been given ample time to examine the figures, and it is most gratifying to learn the satisfactory financial position, not only of the Society itself, but of its affiliated Companies.

We have listened with great interest to the very able speech from the Chair. It cannot be expected with a trade depression existing all over the world that insurance business should be immune or be totally unaffected thereby.

It is however rather to be deplored in the period under review that a great deal of ill-considered competition has in some branches of insurance at least, reduced premiums to a point hardly commensurate with the risks involved. Nevertheless we are pleased to be given your assurance that tendencies are apparent that underwriters generally are more prone to watch the statistics of their business which we trust will tend to stop what you have termed haphazard underwriting, and enable Insurance Companies to obtain a more reasonable return for their services.

Gold Investments.
When we turn to the large Gold Investments the Society possesses the Shareholders must wish to convey their high appreciation and thanks to the General Manager and those working with him, for the sound manner in which the investments of the Society and its affiliated Companies have been selected. The depreciation in the value of London holdings at the end of 1929 is considerable but a large portion of this amount will have already been recouped in the quotations ruling to-day.

It is most gratifying to learn, Sir, that with regard to our investments in the United States, amounting to over one million pounds Sterling, the value of these stocks in spite of the debacle in the New York Stock Exchange last October, did not affect our position. Also that we do not own a single security in the States that is not paying its interest in full.

Silver Drop Minimised.
Through some of its affiliated Companies being capitalised in Hong Kong dollars, the Society's performance shows large silver investments in its Balance Sheet but these same Companies have their funds largely invested in gold, and this minimises the position of the low silver values.

We note the resignation of Mr. E. W. C. de Gyalay, the General Manager for Australasia, who has given the Society 23 years efficient service. I feel sure we all join our Chairman in wishing for his happy retirement and at the same time we hope for Mr. Trevor Gould the same success his predecessor had in that field of our operations.

Able Management.
In conclusion, Mr. Chairman, in formally seconding the Reports and Accounts I feel sure the Shareholders will concur that we are under an obligation to our General Manager, ably supported as he has been by his Staff here, and in all parts of the world, for the good results achieved, and I have much pleasure in heartily wishing the Society continued prosperity. I have much pleasure in seconding the Report and Accounts.

The motion was then put to the meeting, and carried unanimously.

Other Business.
Upon the proposal of Mr. H. B. L. Dowling, seconded by Mr. L. E. N. Ryan, the retiring Directors, Messrs. J. A. Plummer and J. P. Warren, were re-elected.

Manuk, seconded by Mr. A. D. Humphreys.

The Chairman intimated that dividend warrants were ready.

Those Present.

Supporting the Chairman were the Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie, Messrs. J. K. Bousfield, J. A. Plummer, D. O. Russell, J. P. Warren (Directors), and Mr. Paul Lauder (General Manager).

Shareholders present were the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton and Messrs. J. W. Albaster, A. E. S. Alves, G. S. Archbutt, J. D. Butcher, B. M. C. da Cunha, N. V. A. Croucher, H. B. L. Dowling, L. G. S. Dodwell, R. A. Dastur, F. M. Ellis, John Fleming, A. H. Ferguson, H. C. Gray, W. F. Gardner, A. D. Humphreys, Ho Kom-tong, O.B.E., J. H. Little, M. Manuk, James Park, F. H. Rolfe, V. R. V. Ribeiro, O. F. Ribeiro, L. E. N. Ryan, C. Savard Remedios, F. W. Stapleton, E. H. S. Summers, V. F. Soares, T. H. R. Shaw, M. A. R. Souza, Sum Pak-ming, Allan Stevenson, and K. Stuart Smith.

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO.

A meeting of the China Fire Insurance Company, Limited, was held immediately after the Union Insurance Company meeting.

The Chairman, in proposing the adoption of the Report and Accounts, said:

Gentlemen:—The Report and Accounts were issued on May 8, and subject to your approval, I will follow the usual procedure and take them, as well as the Auditors' Report, as read.

The Working Account for the year 1928 shows a balance of \$548,094-68. Your Directors recommend that a final Dividend of \$9 per Share and a Bonus Dividend of \$6 per Share on 20,000 Shares be paid to Shareholders, absorbing \$300,000, and that the balance be carried forward to Underwriting Suspense Account to close the Account for the year 1928.

The balance at credit of the 1929 Working Account is \$1,127,629-85. Out of this balance your Directors recommend the payment of an Interim Dividend of \$3 per Share, absorbing \$60,000, and that the remainder be carried forward.

Effect Of Falling Dollar.
As was only to be anticipated, the Accounts before you are affected considerably by the fall in the Sterling value of the Dollar on December 31 as compared with December 31 the previous year.

For example, you will notice that the total of the Assets of the Company is increased by over \$2,000,000 as compared with the previous year. The explanation of this large increase is that the Company has a preponderance of Gold Assets over Silver, the Dollar equivalent of which is, of course, considerably augmented.

Increased Balance.
The balance at the credit of the Working Account for 1929 is over \$1,600,000 more than the balance of the 1928 Working Account at the corresponding period last year, which is a satisfactory increase notwithstanding the fact that it has also been affected by Exchange. In view of the present uncertain conditions and difficulties of trade, the policy of your Directors in leaving the Dividend unaltered will, I know, commend itself to you.

I now move that the Directors Report and Statement of Accounts as presented be adopted, and when this has been seconded I shall be pleased to answer any questions you may care to ask.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. G. S. Archbutt, and carried unanimously.

The retiring Directors, Messrs. J. A. Plummer and J. P. Warren, were re-elected, as were the Auditors, Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews, and Messrs. Linstead & Davis.

Those Present.

Those present were the Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes (Chairman), the Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie, Messrs. J. K. Bousfield, J. A. Plummer, D. O. Russell, J. P. Warren (Directors), and Mr. Paul Lauder (General Manager).

Shareholders present were

Messrs. J. W. Albaster, G. S. Archbutt, A. E. S. Alves, John Bentley, N. V. A. Croucher, B. M. C. da Cunha, F. M. Ellis, John Fleming, F. H. Farne, and H. C. Gray.

BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE.

The Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes, chairman of the Company, in proposing the adoption of the Report and Accounts, at the meeting this morning, said:

Gentlemen:—The Report and Accounts were issued on May 9, which will have given you time to study the figures. I propose, therefore, to follow the usual practice and take them, as well as the Auditors' Report, as read.

The Working Account for the year 1928 after payment of an Interim Dividend of 5 Shillings per share and a Bonus of 20 per cent. to Contributors, passed at the last Annual Meeting, shows a balance of £46,789-12-9, and your Directors recommend that a final Dividend of 4 Shillings per Share on 98,000 Shares be paid to Shareholders, ab-

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SHADOWS BEFORE**COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN CHINA MAIL**

Social Functions.
To-day—Tea and Dinner-Dances at Peninsula Hotel, 5 and 8.30 p.m. respectively.

To-day—H. K. V. D. C. dinner, Volunteer Headquarters, 8 p.m.

Entertainment.
To-day—Queen's Theatre, "The Idle Rich."

To-day—Star Theatre, "The Girl on the Barge."

To-day—World Theatre, "Tide of Empire," 5.15 and 9.20 p.m.; "The Great Success" (Chinese picture), 2.30 and 7.15 p.m.

To-day—Majestic Theatre; "The Patriot."

Home Malls.
To-day—Outward for Europe via Marseilles (Suva Maru), 6 p.m.

To-morrow—Inward from America and ports and Europe via Siberia (President Harrison); from Europe via Negapatam (Jeypore).

To-morrow—Outward for Europe via Marseilles (Khyber), 10.30 a.m. Land Sales.

June 2—At P.W.D. Offices, two lots of Crown land at Mong Kok Tsui and Kennedy Road, respectively, 3 p.m.

Sports.
See Special Sports Diary on page 8.

Miscellaneous.
To-day—Presentation to Mr. Ralphs by members of St. John Ambulance Brigade, Hong Kong Hotel, 5.15 p.m.

To-morrow—Opening of Hong Kong Flying Club's Premises, 4 p.m.

June 4—Ladies' whist Drive, Police Recreation Club, 3.30 p.m.

RADIO**TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.**

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on 855 metres:—

6-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.

7-9 p.m.—Programme of Columbia Records by courtesy of Anderson Music Company:—

7 p.m.—Selection "Pagliacci" (Leoncavallo).

New Queen's Hall Light Orchestra, conducted by Percy Pitt.

7.08 p.m.—"Fanny Face—A Few Drinks" (Gershwin, Carter & Gershwin).

"Fanny Face—Toll the Dog" (Gershwin, Carter & Gershwin).

Leslie Hanson and Male Quartette with Novelty Orchestra.

7.16 p.m.—Selection "Broadway" (Gottler, Mitchell & Conrad).

Regal Cinema Orchestra, conducted by Emanuel Starkey.

7.24 p.m.—"The Merchant of Venice" (F. Rosse).

Organ Solo by Quentin M. Maclean.

7.40 p.m.—"You Know What I Mean" (Milton Hayes).

"The Meanderings of Monty" (Milton Hayes).

Monologue by Milton Hayes.

7.46 p.m.—"Scene de Ballet" (de Beriot, arr. W. Sear).

"Second Movement from 'Symphonie Pathétique'" (J. H. Squire Celeste Octet).

7.54 p.m.—"Sunnyside" (p.p.) Selection (de Sylva, Brown & Henderson).

Jack Payne and His B.B.C. Dance Orchestra.

8 p.m.—"Ain't Misbehavin'" (Waller, Brooks & Razaf).

"Tondeleyo" (Hill & Gay).

Layton and Johnstone, American Duetists, with Piano.

8.06 p.m.—"Little Pal" (de Sylva, Brown, Henderson & Johnson).

"I'm in Seventh Heaven" (de Sylva, Brown, Henderson & Johnson).

Organ Solo by Terence Casey.

8.12 p.m.—"Come on Baby" (Gottler, Clark & Pinkard).

"G'Fopin'" (Razaf & Demarre).

Trix Sisters, Comedienne, with Orchestra.

8.18 p.m.—"Military March" (Specially arranged) (Tempo 120).

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.**BANK HOLIDAYS.**

IN accordance with Ordinance No. 5 of 1912, the EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS on TUESDAY, the 3rd of June (The Birthday of His Majesty the King).
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Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards.

8.24 p.m.—"Little Grey Church on the Hill" (Longstaffe).

"Jus' Keepin' on" (Carter & Phillips).

Raymond Newell and Chorus with Orchestra.

8.30 p.m.—(a) "Waltz in A Flat" (Brahms); (b) "Spring Song" (Mendelssohn); "Liebestraum No. 3" (Liszt).

Pianoforte Solo by Wm. Murdoch.

8.38 p.m.—"Another Kiss" (Scherzinger).

"You Wait Away Once Too Often" (Horatio Nicholls).

Charlie Kunz, and His Chez Henri Club Band.

8.44 p.m.—"The Meistersingers"—Selection (Wagner).

The Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards.

8.52 p.m.—"Hungarian Rhapsody No. 2" (Liszt-Wood).

Sir Henry J. Wood, conducting the New Queen's Hall Orchestra.

9 p.m.—Studio Concert.

1. Andante Cantabile (Op. 11), Tchaikowsky.

9.10 p.m.—The Orchestra.

2. Soprano Solos: a) Who is Sylvia Schubert.

b) Waltz Song from "Tom Jones" German.

Mrs. Snowden Jones.

9.20 p.m.—Quartette for Two Violins, Cello & Piano.

a) Prelude, George Saint George.

b) Gigue George Saint George.

Members of the Orchestra.

9.28 p.m.—Contralto Solos:

a) Homing Del Riego.

b) Dream O'Day Jill (Tom Jones) German.

Madame Alice Hamilton.

9.38 p.m.—Chanson de Matin Eglar.

The Orchestra.

INTERVAL (News Bulletin).

9.48 p.m.—Soprano Solos:

a) Down in the Forest.

b) Blackbirds' Song, Cyril Scott.

c) Fairy Pipers, Herbert Brewer.

Mrs. Snowden Jones.

10 p.m.—A Forest Melody, Montague Phillips.

The Orchestra.

10.07 p.m.—Contralto Solos:

a) Sincerity Emilio Clark.

b) Bird Songs at Eventide, Eric Coates.

c) O Peaceful England German.

Madame Alice Hamilton.

10.18 p.m.—Bourree Edward German.

b) Gigue Edward German.

The Orchestra.

Orchestral Conductor: Frederick Mason, A.R.C.O., L.T.C.L.

10.30 p.m. (Approx.)—Close Down.

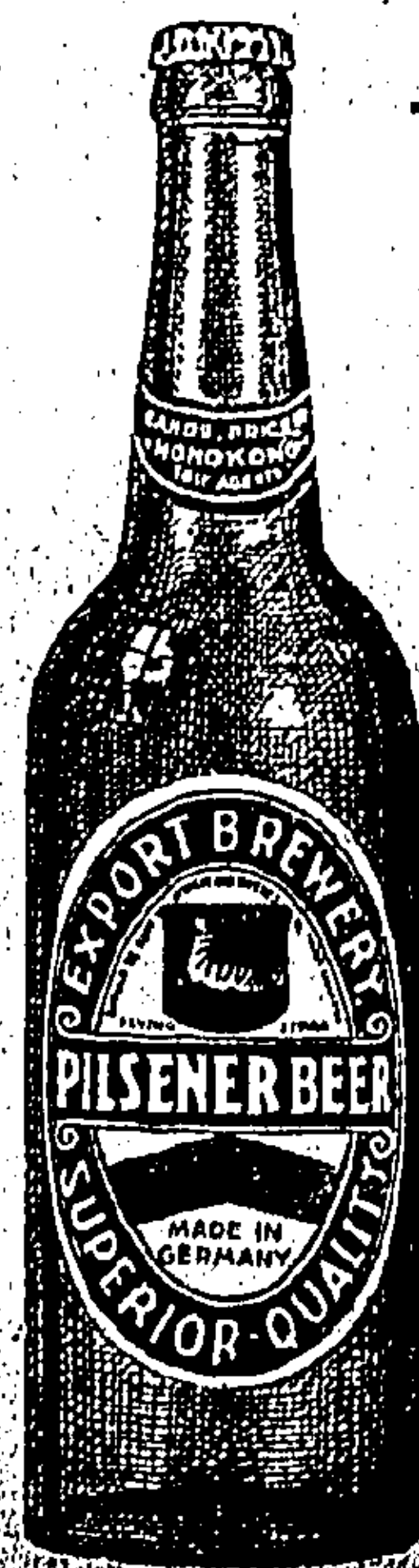
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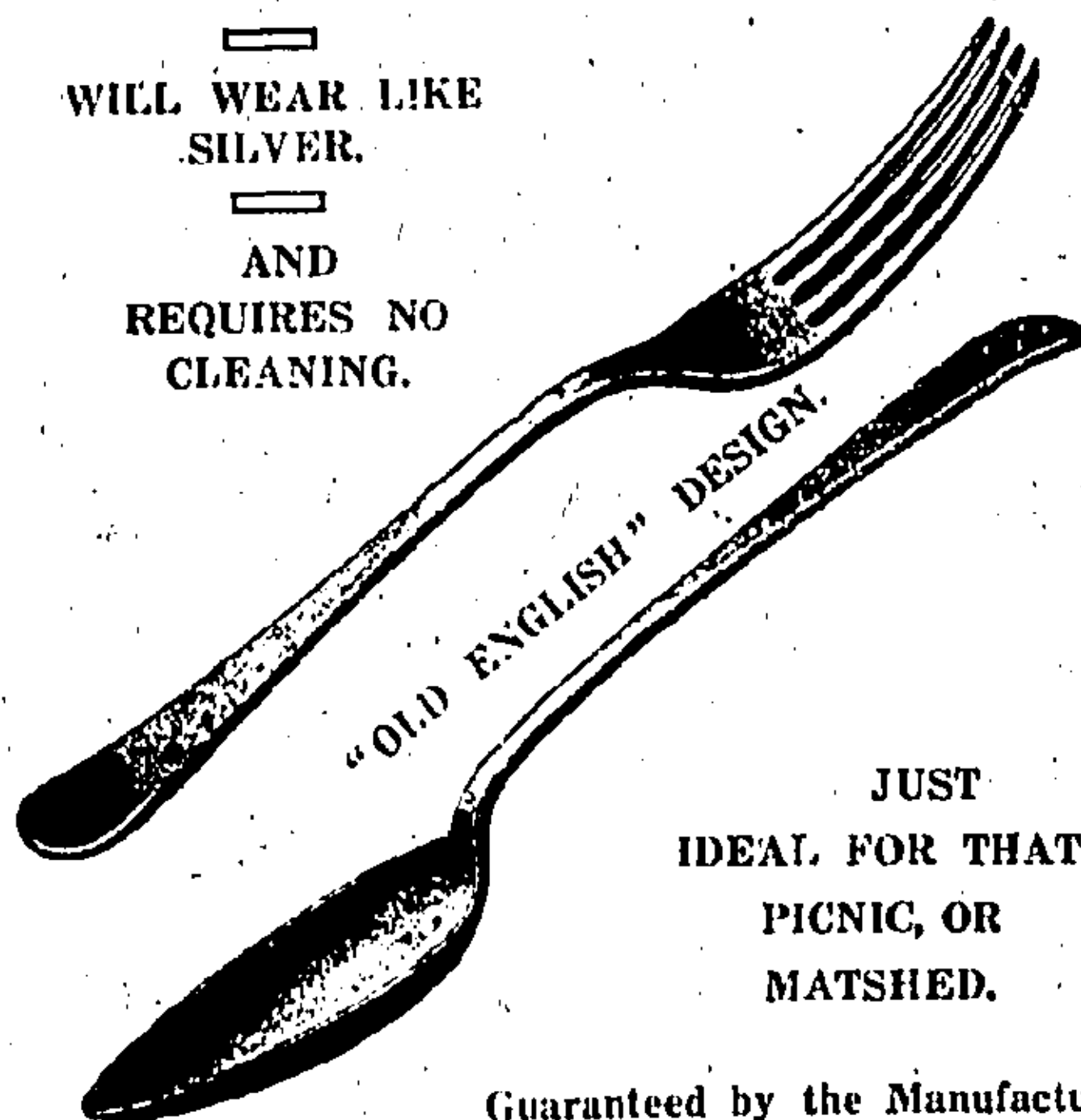
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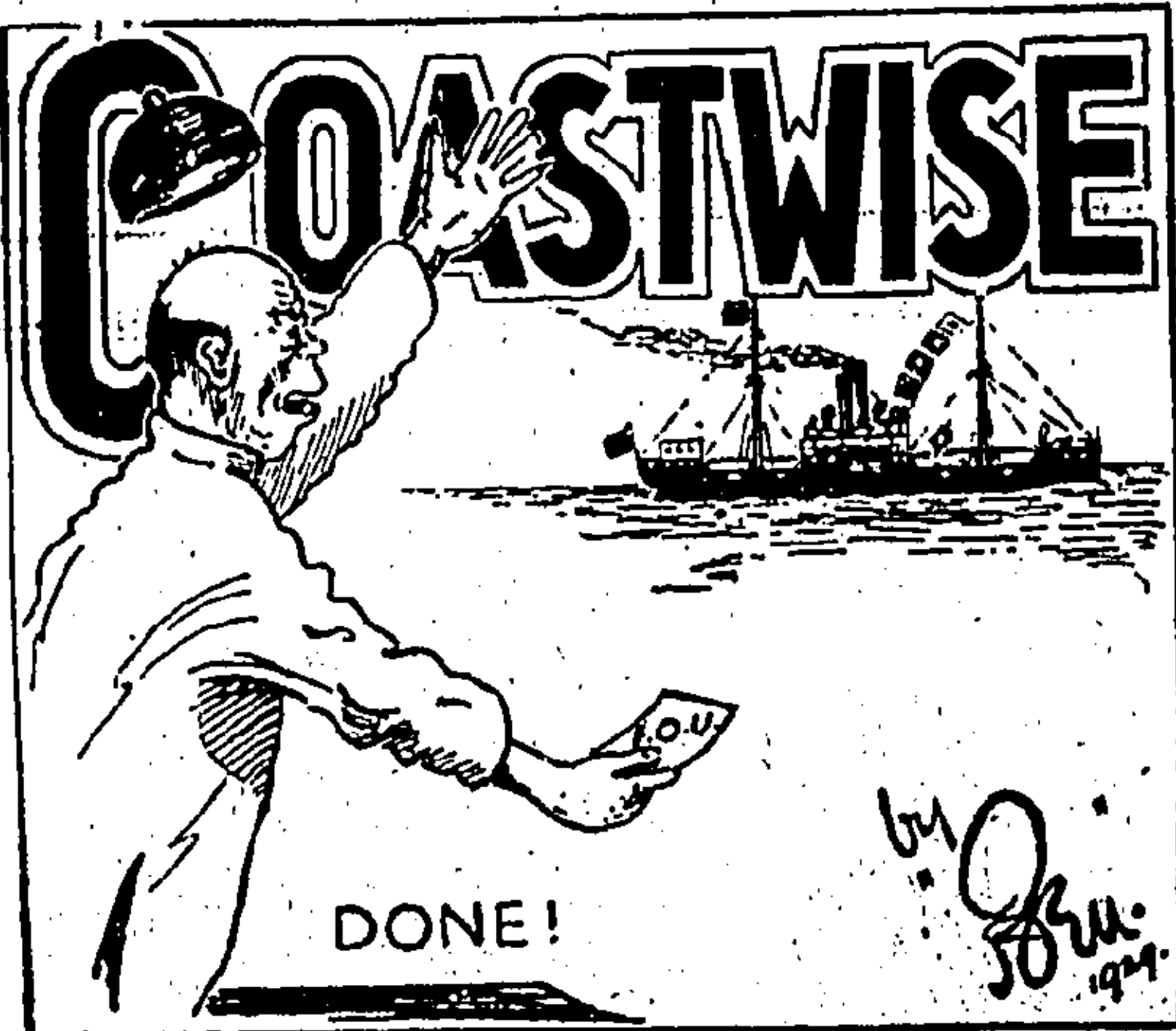
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Sport Columns

AUSSIES' FOURTH VICTORY.

OXFORD TROUNCED. NOTTS TWO DAY SUCCESS!

London, Yesterday.
[The Australians defeated Oxford University by an innings and 158 runs.]
Declaring at their overnight total of 406-2, the Australians gained an innings' victory over Oxford University. C. V. Grimmett was again deadly, and was largely responsible for Oxford's low total, taking 5 wickets for 48 runs out of a total of 124. Following on, requiring 282 runs to save the innings' defeat, the 'Varsity were soon in trouble and were dismissed for their first innings' total. T. Wall, the tourists' first bowler claimed 4 wickets for 20 runs. This two day victory comes as a welcome rest to the travel worn visitors, and a rest of any duration is always appreciable. This is their fourth success in the present tour. To-morrow they are playing at Southampton against Hampshire.

BATTING.
W. H. Ponsford 220* Australians
S. McCabe 91 Australians
A. Kippax 56* Australians
*denotes not out.

BOWLING.
C. V. Grimmett 5-48 Australians
Voce 4-23 Notts
T. Wall 4-29 Australians

NOTTS SECOND IN TABLE.
Innings' Victory.
[Notts defeated Glamorgan by an innings and 126 runs.]
Notts once again forced a win in two days, this time at the expense of Glamorgan. The visitors took first knock at Trent Bridge and compiled 231. Notts, on going to the wicket, were able to declare their innings closed at 443-9. Requiring 212 to save the innings' defeat, the visitors collapsed in a startling manner before the bowling of Barratt and Voce. Failing by 126 runs, Glamorgan suffered an innings' defeat. Barratt took 5 wickets for 24 runs and Voce 4 for 23. This victory sends Notts up to second place in the Championship table. Lancashire, on account of a no result match at Lord's, hold a four point lead for the same number of matches played. Warwickshire are three points behind the Champions.

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LAWN TENNIS.

Civil Service Beat the Nippon Club.
The match between the Civil Service and the Nippon Club in the "B" Division of the Lawn Tennis League was played yesterday afternoon at Happy Valley, the home players getting the point by the odd set.

J. Barrow and D. M. McDougall (C.S.C.C.)—
beat Fujieda and Wakata 6-3
beat Takemasa and Nakasato 9-7
lost to Yoshikawa and Kinoshita 5-7

J. A. Bendall and F. W. Bradley (C.S.C.C.)—
beat Fujieda and Wakata 6-3
lost to Takemasa and Nakasato 7-9
beat Yoshikawa and Kinoshita 6-2

R. K. Valentine and J. Balfour (C.S.C.C.)—
lost to Fujieda and Wakata 7-9
lost to Takemasa and Nakasato 2-6
beat Yoshikawa and Kinoshita 6-4

League Table.

Club	P.	W.	L.	Pts.
Chinese R.C.	5	5	0	5
Indian R.C.	5	5	0	5
R.E. Sports Club	4	3	1	3
Craigengower C.C.	4	3	1	3
Club de Recreo	4	2	2	2
United Services R.C.	4	2	2	2
Kowloon C.C.	4	2	2	2
M.B.K.	4	2	2	2
Civil Service C.C.	4	2	2	2
South China A.A.	3	1	2	1
Hong Kong C.C.	4	1	3	1
Nippon Club	5	1	4	1
University	5	1	4	1
European Y.M.C.A.	5	0	5	0

The following have been selected to represent the Kowloon Cricket Club in their League fixtures to-morrow:
"A" Division—Versus H.K.C.C. on the K.C.C. ground at 4.30 p.m.
"B" Division—Versus C.S.C.C. on the K.C.C. ground at 4.30 p.m.
"C" Division—Versus H.K.C.C. on the K.C.C. ground at 4.30 p.m.
"D" Division—Versus H.K.C.C. on the K.C.C. ground at 4.30 p.m.

HOME RACING.

Call Over for the Derby.

DIOLITE STILL FAVOURITE.

London, Yesterday.
The call over for the Derby at the Beaufort Club is as follows:
3 to 1 agst. Diolite t. & o.
6 to 1 agst. Ruston Pasha, 0; 13 to 2 t.
100 to 9 agst. Silver Flare, 0; 100 to 8 t.
100 to 8 agst. Ballyferis, 0.
100 to 8 agst. Treves, 0.
100 to 6 agst. Blenheim, 0; 20 to 1 t.
20 to 1 agst. Caerleon, t. & o.
20 to 1 agst. Illud, 0.
20 to 1 agst. Noble Star, 0.
20 to 1 agst. Scout II, 0.
25 to 1 agst. Parenthesis, 0.
"Probables" Revised.
The following are alterations in the list of probable starters and jockeys:
Treves R. Dick
Sponker R. Perryman
Silver Flare Elliott
Caerleon M. Wing
Ballyferis Canby
Cartello H. Graves
Grand Salute C. Richards
Lansdowne G. Richards
Diolite Cecil Ray
Bargany Charleske
Ruston Pasha Beary
Blenheim H. Wrang
Parthenon J. Leach
Noble Star H. Bensley
Seer Jellias
Tetrageon A. Wrang
Hind R. Jones
Adlon F. Winter
Scout II Joe Childs
Dick Swiveller Pat Bensley
Parenthesis Fred Fox
—Reuter.

Our Sports Diary

LOCAL

Lawn Tennis—To-morrow
—"A" Division—K.C.C. v. H.K.C.C., I.R.C. v. C.R.C., M.B.K. v. S.C.A.A.; "B" Division—Recreo v. Y.M.C.A., C.R.C. v. U.S.R.C., Nippon Club v. H.K.C.C., R.E.S.C. v. I.R.C., K.C.C. v. C.S.C.C., S.C.A.A. v. C.C.C.; "C" Division—Filipino Club v. C.R.C., University Club v. C.S.C.C., H.K.C.C. v. G.T.C.
Lawn Bowls—To-morrow
—Division I—Kowloon Dock R.C. v. Civil Service C.C., C.C.C. v. Recreo, Police R.C. v. Kowloon C.C., Talkoo R.C. v. Kowloon B.G.C.; Division II—Recreo v. Craigengower C.C., C.S.C.C. v. H.K. H.K.Y.C., Kowloon B.G.C. v. Talkoo R.C.
Football—June 30—Annual Meeting of Football Association.
Rifle Shooting—To-day—Distribution of Prizes, Volunteer Headquarters.
Water Polo—June 2—Senior Division—Somerset v. Navy; Junior Division—Kowloon v. Heavy Battery.
June 4—Senior Division—R.A. v. V.R.C.; Junior Division—Somerset v. University.
Racing—June 4—Half yearly General Meeting of Voting Members of Jockey Club, 5.30 p.m.
June 7 and 9—Sixth Extra Race Meeting.

HOME

Golf—To-day and To-morrow—Amateur Championship, St. Andrew's.
Cricket—May 31-June 2—Test Trial Match, England v. The Rest, Lord's.

BILLIARDS.

C.C.C. and the Filipino Club.

A friendly billiard match was played at the Craigengower Cricket Club on Wednesday night between the C.C.C. and the Filipino Club, resulting in the hosts defeating their guests by 174 points. About 40 members of both Clubs sat down for dinner during an intermission in the match, and pleasant speeches were made dwelling on the friendly rivalry which exists between the respective clubs.
Detailed scores were:
J. M. V. Ribeiro 150 E. Luz 149
E. Zimmerman 119 F. Silva 150
A. Kitchell 150 E. Nuttall 43
J. Soares 150 E. Remedios 141
J. Landolt 150 A. Castro 102
H. Kew 150 L. E. Remedios 110
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Fincher, Thomas Lay and A. E. Guest; W. Hyde and G. Boedker.
"B" Division—Versus C.S.C.C. on the K.C.C. ground at 4.30 p.m.
"C" Division—Versus H.K.C.C. on the K.C.C. ground at 4.30 p.m.
"D" Division—Versus H.K.C.C. on the K.C.C. ground at 4.30 p.m.
"E" Division—Versus H.K.C.C. on the K.C.C. ground at 4.30 p.m.

LAWN BOWLS LEAGUE.

A TRIO OF MATCHES CONCLUDED.

HOME CLUBS WIN.

Three lawn bowls matches, which had to be left unfinished owing to rain last Saturday, were completed yesterday, and in each case the home Clubs maintained the advantage which they held at the earlier stage. The matches completed included two games in Division I, and one in Division II, the fourth game having been decided earlier in the week at the Yacht Club, where the Kowloon Bowling Green Club won by eight shots.

DIVISION I.

C.C.C. v. Police R.C.

On the first rink Basa resumed with a lead of 12-10, but Post equalised. Basa got a couple of ones and Post a single. Basa scored on the last three heads and won by 20-13.
Omar resumed with a lead of 13-6. After he had scored a single Hargreaves had the better of three heads and was only four behind. Omar scored a 1 and a 2. Hargreaves 2; and Omar a couple of ones, the latter winning by 19-12.

Bradbury resumed with a lead of 7-6 and scored 2. Each side had a 2, followed by 3 for Bradbury, and 4 for West. Bradbury scored 2, 4, 1, to which West responded with 1 and 3. Bradbury thus won by 21-17.

Craigengower Police R.C.
F. J. Neves 21
M. A. R. Sousa 17
D. Rumball 17
B. W. Bradbury 17
(Skip) 21
E. Tuck 17
A. E. Coates 17
E. A. Russell 17
U. M. Omar 17
(Skip) 17
W. T. Brightman 12
W. Collins 12
C. S. Rosset 12
R. Basa 12
(Skip) 20
60 42

Talkoo R.C. v. K.C.C.

On the first rink Wallace resumed against Silkstone with a lead of 21-5. The latter opened with 1 and 2; each side got a single; Wallace scored 2, 1, and 1; and Silkstone added one on the last head. Wallace thus won by 26-10.

Wotherspoon resumed with a lead of 17-6, but Lammett notched a 2, followed by 1, 2, and 1 for Wotherspoon. After Lammett had scored 2, a couple of singles came Wotherspoon's way, and Lammett followed up a single by collecting 5 on the last head. Wotherspoon won by 23-16.

Drummond replaced Ferguson, the score brought forward being 18-12 in favour of Fraser. Drummond opened with a single, followed by a 2 and a couple of ones for Fraser. Drummond scored another single and Fraser got 3 on the last head, winning by 28-14.

Talkoo R.C. Kowloon C.C.
G. McLeod 10
J. Sloan 10
J. Laing 10
R. Wallace 10
(Skip) 26
J. B. Chapman 10
J. McKechnie 10
N. Drummond 10
(Skip) 14
J. C. Chalmers 10
J. C. Polson 10
J. Munro 10
W. Wotherspoon 10
(Skip) 23
63 54

DIVISION II.

C.S.C.C. v. C.C.C.

Haynes resumed with a lead of 20-7 against Field, who opened with a single, followed by 3 for Haynes. Field collected 3 and 6, to which Haynes replied with 4 and 5, the latter winning by 32-17.

Hollands resumed with a lead of 14-9 against Cavanagh and the former opened with a 3. Cavanagh netted 5 and 2, being then only one shot in arrears. A trio of singles for Hollands were followed by a 2 for Cavanagh; Holland got a single; and Cavanagh, with the aid of 2 and 3, won the game by 25-21.

Murphy resumed with a lead of 13-5, but Gill opened with a couple of 2's. After Murphy scored a 2, Gill collected 1, 4, 2, and 1, the score in his favour being 17-15. Murphy gathered 2 and 3 on the last two heads and won the game by 20-17.

The C.C.C. staged a good recovery and on one head simultaneously scored 6, 5, and 2.
Civil Service Craigengower
F. H. Holdman 17
R. R. Wood 17
J. D. Dixon 17
F. Hayes 17
(Skip) 32
H. A. Strange 17
L. E. Luck 17
J. E. Archibald 17
W. E. Hollands 17
(Skip) 21
(Skip) 23

L. R. Whant 17
W. Bickford 17
E. L. Holland 17
A. E. Murphy 17
(Skip) 20
73 57

LEAGUE TABLES.

The positions in the League to date are:—

Division I.

Club	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
Civil Service C.C.	4	4	0	0	8
Craigengower C.C.	4	3	0	1	6
Talkoo R.C.	4	2	1	1	5
Club de Recreo	4	2	1	1	5
Kowloon B.G.C.	4	2	1	1	5
Kowloon C.C.	4	1	0	3	2
Kowloon D.R.C.	4	1	0	3	2
Police R.C.	4	1	0	3	2

Shots For and Against.

For Agst. Up Dn.

Club	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
Civil Service C.C.	252	203	49	0	0
Craigengower C.C.	236	192	44	0	0
Talkoo R.C.	253	214	39	0	0
Club de Recreo	250	229	31	0	0
Kowloon B.G.C.	230	238	0	2	0
Kowloon D.R.C.	235	241	0	6	0
Kowloon C.C.	231	251	0	30	0
Police R.C.	195	290	0	125	0

Shots For and Against.

For Agst. Up Dn.

Club	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
Kowloon B.G.C.	235	204	77	0	0
Civil Service C.C.	233	230	53	0	0
Club de Recreo	244	224	20	0	0
Kowloon C.C.	242	231	11	0	0
Yacht Club	178	184	0	6	0
Electric R.C.	217	251	0	34	0
Craigengower C.C.	232	274	0	41	0
Talkoo R.C.	141	221	0	89	0

Prospects for To-morrow

CAN THE LEADERS SURVIVE AT KOWLOON DOCK?

[By "Short Head"]

The apparently haphazard manner of compiling the fixture card is demonstrated by the fact that the leaders—the Civil Service C.C.—have to travel three Saturdays in succession, visiting the Kowloon Dock to-morrow and the Craigengower on the following Saturday. It may be to the good, however, that they have a trio of hard nuts to crack so early in the season, especially as in July they will be playing at home on three Saturdays in succession.

Last year the Civil Service went down badly on the Kowloon Dock green by 36-34, so that they will have to go all out to reverse this record and keep their undefeated record this season. That they can play as well away is evident from their victories over the Club de Recreo and the K.B.G.C. The Kowloon Dock have played only one of their four matches at home, so that they are due to be at home to-morrow. They won a week ago by the narrow margin of two shots, chiefly through the wet/greens, which they countered better than the Club de Recreo, and they may conclude that it is their turn to win before their own supporters to-morrow.

C.C.C. v. Club de Recreo.

The C.C.C., owing to the vagaries of the fixture list, play the second of three matches on their own soil to-morrow when they meet the Club de Recreo, who lost a year ago by 31-44. So far the C.C.C. have lost only one match and that away, so that form points to another victory to-morrow. The Club de Recreo have won one match away, but lost at home to the Civil Service and the Kowloon Dock, whilst they drew on their own ground with Talkoo. If Luz is drawn against Bradbury there may be "fireworks" to-morrow.

Police R.C. v. K.C.C.

Without a single point so far, the Police R.C. may be expected to do their best to beat the K.C.C., by whom they were defeated last season by the narrow margin of 60-58. The K.C.C. started the season with a fine win over the Bowling Green Club, since when they have lost to the C.C.C., the Kowloon Dock R.C. and the Talkoo R.C. This points to a close finish to-morrow, but much depends on the personnel of the Police team.

Talkoo v. Bowling Green Club.

Last season the Talkoo won by 66-51. This year they have beaten the Police and K.C.C., drawn with the Club de Recreo, and lost to the Civil Service. The K.B.G.C. have beaten the Kowloon Dock and the Craigengower and lost to the K.C.C. and the Civil Service. The Talkoo Club may be expected to endeavour to retain their unbeaten record on their own green.

DIVISION II.

Club de Recreo v. C.C.C.

Last season the Club de Recreo lost this match by 62-49. The Club de Recreo this year have won two and lost two matches, whilst the C.C.C. have won one only. The former have already established a reputation for losing or winning when least expected, so that it may be safer not to predict the outcome of their struggle to-morrow.
Civil Service v. Electric R.C.
A year ago the Civil Service got both points by a margin of 78-46. They have won all their four games this season, as compared with only

OLYMPIC CONGRESS.

Women to Be Allowed to Compete in Same Events.

BROKEN TIME QUESTION.

Berlin, Yesterday.
The Olympic Congress has shelved the question of broken time on a British motion and has also decided to allow women to compete in the same events as at Amsterdam. It has been decided that the Los Angeles games shall last 16 days.—Reuter.

BASEBALL.

"Gobs" to Meet South China Outfit.

The "Gobs" baseball crew from U.S.S. Helena will meet the South China outfit on Caroline Hill on Sunday, the game being timed to start at 3 p.m.
At the last encounter the sailors trounced the Chinese, and the local bunch are out for revenge. The sailors say "nothing doing," so the result will be a rare good game.

one win for the Electric Club.

The latter, however, rearranged their forces a week ago and beat Talkoo by no fewer than 40 shots. This revival ought to hearten them considerably, whilst it will also show the Civil Service that they cannot afford to take them too cheaply. The latter lose the services of both Deakin and Taylor very shortly, so they may be expected to gather in as many points as possible whilst the going is good.

K.C.C. v. Yacht Club.

The Yacht Club won last year by 71-45. This season the K.C.C. have won two out of four matches and the Yacht Club have won one out of three. Taking a line between the K.C.C. v. K.B.G.C. and the Yacht Club v. K.B.G.C. matches, the Yacht Club might just get home to-morrow.

K.B.G.C. v. Talkoo.

Last year the Talkoo Club won by 62-56. The K.B.G.C. share with the Civil Service this year the distinction of winning all four matches, whilst Talkoo have still to win a match. Form certainly points to a win for the home Club to-morrow.

TO-MORROW'S TEAMS.

Division I.

Talkoo R.C.—J. C. Chalmers, J. Polson, J. Russell and W. Wotherspoon (Skip).
J. B. Chapman, T. Grimes, N. Drummond and J. Ferguson (Skip).
G. McLeod, J. Sloan (Sen.), J. Laing and R. Wallace (Skip).
C.S.C.C.—E. W. Simmonds, R. Taylor, J. Hollidge and A. W. Grimmett (Skip).
Jas. T. Dobbie, L. E. Longbottom, G. C. Moss, and J. Gregory (Skip).
F. H. Jones, S. E. Alderman, A. H. Oswick and A. O. Brown (Skip).
Kowloon Dock R.C.—W. Greig, D. Keith, F. Cullen and W. M. Johnston (Skip).
H. G. Cooper, E. Docherty, W. P. Hedley and R. Lapsley (Skip).
C. Atkinson, J. McKelvie, F. C. Goodman and S. Gray (Skip).
K.C.C.—A. C. Burford, J. Howe, H. Overy, and A. E. Silkstone (Skip).
H. Gittins, C. J. Tacchi, A. Hyde Lay, and J. Fraser (Skip).
F. Goodwin, B. Petheram, J. C. Lyl, and L. E. Lammett (Skip).

Division II.

Electric Co. R.C.—A. Tarbuck, T. P. Sanderson, D. S. Hill and W. H. B. Muskett (Skip).
W. Stoker, G. T. Padgett

"ILL-CONSIDERED COMPETITION."

(Continued from Page 7.)

sorbing £19,200, and that the balance be carried forward to Underwriting Suspense Account.

The balance of Working Account for the year 1929 stands at \$174,668. 17. 6. Out of this balance your Directors recommend the payment of an Interim Dividend of 5 Shillings per Share, absorbing \$24,000, and that a Bonus of 20 per cent. be paid to Contributors of business on Bonus terms, absorbing about \$10,000, and that the remainder be carried forward.

Assets in Sterling.

The Accounts of this Company have not been greatly affected by the position of Exchange owing to the fact that such a large proportion of its Assets are in Sterling.

The Working Account Balance for the year 1928 shows approximately the same total as the 1927 Account as at the end of the second year. The 1929 Working Account shows an increase of £10,020. 8. 5. as compared with the 1928 Account as at the same period.

I now move that the Directors

Report and Statement of Accounts as presented be adopted and when this has been seconded I shall be pleased to answer any questions you may care to ask.

The motion was seconded by Mr. H. C. Gray, and carried unanimously.

The retiring Directors Messrs. J. A. Plummer and J. P. Warren, were re-elected, as were the auditors, Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews, and Messrs. Linstead & Davis.

Those Present.

Supporting the Chairman were the Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie, Messrs. J. K. Bousfield, J. A. Plummer, D. O. Russell, J. P. Warren (Directors), and Mr. Paul Lauder (General Manager).

Shareholders present were Messrs. J. W. Alabaster, A. E. S. Alves, G. S. Archbutt, John Bentley, B. M. C. da Cunha, H. C. Gray, and V. R. V. Ribeiro.

BLOW TO THE DOLE. School-Leaving Age to Be Raised. MORE SCHOOLS NEEDED.

Rugby, Yesterday.

The Government's Education Bill, which raises the school-leaving age from 14 to 15 years, was debated on the second reading in the House of Commons to-day. The President of the Board of Education, Sir Charles Trevelyan, explaining its scope, said that by giving another year's schooling to

SIR HUBERT WILKINS To Explore the Arctic by Means of Submarine. BORING THROUGH THE ICE.

Washington, Yesterday.

Sir Hubert Wilkins who, together with several members of



Sir H. Wilkins.

the proposed expedition to the Arctic, recently applied for permission to take the American Navy's obsolete submarine P-12, and convert it into an under-sea craft capable of boring through the ice in the polar regions, has been authoritatively informed that his request will be granted if application is made through the Shipping Board.—Reuter's American Service.

TORIES' LOSS.

Resignation of the Chairman.

London, Yesterday.

The Rt. Hon. J. C. C. Davidson, chairman of the Conservative Party organisation, seen by Reuter's representative to-day, said he had tendered his resignation to Mr. Baldwin before Easter. Mr. Baldwin was consulting his colleagues on the matter.

The name of Lord Lloyd is mentioned as the possible new chairman.—Reuter.

Bill, as he opposed the compulsory element it contained.

The division on the second reading resulted—

For 280
Against 223
Majority 57
—Reuter.

MALAYA'S MINES. The Hottest in the World. OFFER TO TOURISTS.

Stretched up and down Malaya, from Siam to within a few miles of the Equator, are the hottest mines in the world; they are the tin mines of the Malayan peninsula and they represent a large part of the Empire's mineral wealth in the Far East.

The mines—and the ore is found in a variety of ways even within the same square mile—are the most fascinating in the world. So interesting and so picturesque are some of the methods of tin-mining and so beautiful are the environments that one tourist agency in Singapore now offers to whisk its clients round one or two tin mines while they are in Malaya. But visitors, on the whole, are few; the heat even on these winter days effectively protects the secrets of the mines.

The quickest and most efficient means of tin mining to-day is dredging. There is something hypnotic about watching the buckets ceaselessly rise from the warm, yellowish water. Often they bring up things other than clay—trunks of trees, relics from another jungle long buried, and often a snake.

It is mostly at night, when the dredge whirrs and sighs in a blaze of searchlights, that the snakes come aboard. Grey-black cobras, pythons, bright green snakes, and snakes that glisten like the moon—the last horrible but harmless. Only recently a sleepy python had suddenly found himself suspended over two buckets and being carried swiftly upwards. Chinese coolies had half killed and skinned him before he realised what had happened.

Hot though it is under the corrugated iron roof of the dredge, this is as a breath of Everest compared with the interior depths of a lode mine. Even the Chinese coolie, the hardest worker in the world and the strongest, can only bear the incredible heat of these deep mines—for a few months.

Oh, they are beautiful to look upon, these tin mines of Malaya. There is no smoke, no dust, nor dirt.

Tropical wild flowers and flowering trees blazed round the top of this particular mine. Round it all the jungle pressed, waiting perhaps for man to cease his endeavours here, so that it might once more people the little clearing with its greatest extravaganzas. The last thing seen before the cage descended was a tangle of orchids and one great yellow flower, slashed with scarlet, like a painted face.

There are pleasant ways of tin-mining than deep mining. The coolie gathers the ore by playing a monitor—really a majestic kind of garden hose—on to a cliff of tin-bearing ground. A jet of water, at a pressure of 200lb. or more, amashes the ground away like artillery.

Artillery indeed it is, for not many nights ago one coolie playing the monitor against the cliff saw two greenish eyes regarding him from the right. Only one inhabitant of the jungle had eyes like that, the coolie knew, and more in terror than in judgment he turned the "hose" on to the eyes. There was a roar, and silence. In the morning they found the lacerated body of a tiger, so broken that even his skin was valueless.

WHAT IS A LAUGHING JACKASS?

The depth of human vision, sympathy and understanding enjoyed by Post Office officials has often been a mystery to the public. Now this mystery is solved, and in a very convincing manner, too. A set of Civil Service examination questions recently contained these three questions:

- 1.—"What is a laughing jackass?"
- 2.—"How far can a rabbit run into a tunnel?"
- 3.—"How do pineapples grow?"

SCARED BY THREATS OF KISSES. STORIES OF COLONEL LINDBERGH. EX-AMBASSADOR'S MEMOIRS.

London, April 17.

An amusing story of Col. Lindbergh, the famous Trans-Atlantic flyer, is told in "Myron T. Herrick, Friend of France," an autobiographical biography by Col. T. Bentley Mott.

When the airman arrived at Le Bourget, all Paris went wild. By the stratagem of a reporter putting on Lindbergh's helmet and leading the crowd away from their quarry, Lindbergh was taken to an office on the grounds.

"While we were talking," Mr. Herrick told the author, "one of the Frenchmen politely pushed a chair up, and suggested that Lindbergh sit down. 'Thank you,' he replied, 'I have been sitting.'"

Aviator's Modesty.

Another story illustrates the young aviator's modesty.

"One of Lindbergh's remarks that most deeply impressed me," said Mr. Herrick, "was this reply to some congratulatory comment of mine upon his great feat. He said: 'You must remember, Mr. Ambassador, how much easier it is to fly from New York to Paris than it would be from Paris to New York.'"

"The first thing we did was to pay a visit to Mme. Nungesser (whose son had been lost in attempting the east to west flight). She was in a pitiful state of emotion, and begged Lindbergh to find him for her. A large crowd had assembled around the house, and we had some difficulty in making our way through it. Several girls tried to kiss him. He was scared to death."

A Memory of the War.

Mr. Herrick was for many years American Ambassador to France. During the German advance on Paris in 1914, he pluckily remained in the capital with his wife, after the French Government and the Diplomatic Corps had gone to Bordeaux.

"I intended," he said later, "in case the Germans reached the outskirts of the city, and demanded its surrender, to go out and talk with their commander, and, if possible, the Kaiser."

At the time, he said, "Some defender of the law of nations ought to stay. Who will protect your monuments, your libraries? I can speak in the name of the United States, and have no fear. I will find a way to prevent pillage and massacre."

A Story About Edison.

One of Mr. Herrick's favourite stories was about Edison, the inventor. The first words he heard over his phonograph were, "Mary had a little lamb." He was so astonished and overwhelmed by his success, after many hours of final experimenting, without food, that he nearly fainted.

He even thought he was going to die on the spot, and, staggering into a friend's house, exclaimed: "If I am going to die, this thing must be known first. It can be done. It has been done."

Had he wished, Mr. Herrick could have stood for, and probably won, the Presidency. In 1920 Senator Harding said to him, "Myron, if you will run, I will not raise my finger to get the nomination."

On this offer he says: "I told him I did not want it, and I told him why."

grow?"

The answers were as follows, and very few were correct:

- 1.—A bird, and not a quadruped (nor a biped), as some people would have us believe.
 - 2.—A rabbit can run half-way into a tunnel; then it starts to run out.
 - 3.—Pineapples grow like mangelwurzel.
- After questions and answers like these it is easy to understand the extent of the worldly wisdom of the Civil Servant.

SEA-LEOPARD. Marine Marauder of the Antarctic.

Oslo, May 1.

The first authentic report of the "Norvegia" expedition to the Antarctic was received when Captain Riser Larsen and Captain Lutnow Holm returned to Oslo the other day. The cruise lasted for four months and included an area from 55 degrees East to 15 degrees West.

"On one occasion," said Captain Larsen, "we were short of coal and had to kill seals and sea-leopards for fuel under the kettles. I have always agreed with those who condemn the killing of animals for such purposes, and I still do, but with one reservation—that sea-leopards should be used as a substitute for coal in the widest possible degree. The sea-leopard is a disgusting beast of prey, far more blood-thirsty than the shark. It is between twelve and fifteen feet long. When we lay off the Bouvet Island and had to row between the ship and the shore the sea-leopards always followed our boat and even attacked the oars. The animals had the biggest jaws and the most awful teeth I ever saw."

"One of the most characteristic features of animal life in the Antarctic is due to the sea-leopard. The seals in the Arctic got into the sea as soon as they scent danger. In the Antarctic it is impossible to make the seals jump into the sea because of their fear of the sea-leopard."

EXCHANGES TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS

On London—

Bank, wire 1/4 1/2
Bank, on demand 1/4 3/16
Bank, 30 days' sight
Bank, 4 months' sight 1/4 5/16
Credits, 4 months' sight 1/5 1/2
Documentary, 4 months' sight 1/5 1/4

On Paris—

On demand 83 3/4
Credits, 4 months' sight 83 1/2

On Berlin—

On demand 32 3/4
Credits, 60 days' sight 34 1/2

On Bombay—

Wire 90 1/4
On demand 90 1/2

On Calcutta—

Wire 90 1/2
On demand 90 1/2

On Singapore—

On demand 58
On Manila—

On Shanghai—

On demand Tls. 79 Nom.
On Yokohama—

Gold Leaf, 100 fine (per tael) 14.33
Silver (per oz.) 17 7/16
Bar Silver in Hong Kong 1/4 % prem. nom.
Copper Cash Nominal.
Copper Cents 3 % prem.
Rate of Native Interest 4 1/2 % p.a.
Chinese Sub. Coin 2 1/2 % dis.
Hong Kong Sub. Coin 1/4 % dis.

LONDON EXCHANGES

Rugby, Yesterday.

Paris 123.93
New York 4.85 31/32
Brussels 34.375
Geneva 25.115
Amsterdam 12.07 1/2
Milan 92.76
Berlin 20.365
Stockholm 18.11
Copenhagen 18.16
Oslo 18.16
Vienna 34.455
Prague 168 1/2

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

Opening Daily Official Quotations 30th May, 1930.

STOCK	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Non	Fin. year	Last dividend and when paid
Banks.						
Hong Kong Bank	1500	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] Feb. 24, 30
Chartered Bank	Dec.	[Final 17 s/c 1929] Apr. 2, 30
Mercantile Bk., A.B.	Dec.	[Final 20 s/c 1929] Apr. — 30
Bank of Asia	119 1/2	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] Feb. 24, 30
Insurance.						
Canton Ins.	260	...	Dec.	[Final 27 s/c 1929] May 16, 30
Union Ins.	400	405 1/2	400	...	Dec.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] May 30, 30
China Underwriters	...	3.15	...	...	Dec.	None
China Fire Ins.	400	...	...	...	Dec.	[Final 20 s/c 1929] May 30, 30
H. K. Fire Ins.	650	360	...	...	Dec.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] Mar. 26, 30
Shipping.						
Douglas	23	...	22	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1929
H. K. Steamboat	...	30 1/2	...	...	Dec.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] Mar. 4, 30
Indo-China (Pref.)	48	...	Dec.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] Mar. 19, 30
Shell Transp.	98 1/2	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1929
Union Waterboats	33	...	Dec.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] Mar. 10, 30
Mining.						
Benguet	7 1/2	...	...	...	Dec.	Interim 15 cents a/c 1929
Kailan Mining Ad. s/	41 1/3	...	June	[Final 24 s/c 1929] Dec. 17, 29
Langkat (Comb.)	18.10	...	Oct.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] Pending
S'hai Exploration	1.30	...	...	...	Dec.	None
Loans	5.55	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1929
Rauha	2 1/2	...	...	...	Mar.	[Final 1/4 s/c 1929] Pending
Tronoh Mines	21 1/2	...	Dec.	Interim 4 1/2 cents a/c
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.						
H. K. & W. Wharves	178 1/2	180	...	...	Dec.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] Mar. 13, 30
H. K. & W. Docks	40 1/2	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1929
China Provident	Dec.	Last dividend for 1929
Hongkong	265	...	Dec.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] Mar. 31, 30
N. Engineering	Dec.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] Feb. 25, 30
Shanghai Docks	198	...	Apr.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] July 27, 29
Cotton Mills.						
Ewo Cottons	...	10 1/2	...	...	Dec.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] Mar. 17, 30
Shanghai Cotton	38	...	Dec.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] Pending
Zoung Sings	10	...	June	[Final 24 s/c 1929] Oct. 11, 29
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.						
H. K. & S. Hotels	13.85	13	...	...	Dec.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] Apr. 7, 30
H. K. Lands	87	...	Dec.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] Feb. 19, 30
Shanghai Lands	265	...	Dec.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] Mar. 19, 30
Humphreys	16.80	...	Dec.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] May 7, 30
H. K. Realities	10.00	...	Dec.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] Mar. 24, 30
Chinese Estates	38	...	Feb.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] June 5, 30
Public Utilities.						
H. K. Tramways	30.00	...	Dec.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] Mar. 16, 30
Peak Tram (old)	Apr.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] June 7, 30
Star Ferry	80 1/2	...	Dec.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] Feb. 14, 30
China Light (old)	29.10	...	Sept.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] May 12, 30
H. K. Electric	38 1/4	...	Dec.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] Mar. 12, 30
Macao	Dec.	None
Sandakan Lights	10	...	June	None
H. K. Telephones	14 1/2	...	Dec.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] Mar. 10, 30
China Buses	10 1/2	...	Dec.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] Feb. 21, 30
S'pore Trams (Ord.)	10 1/2	...	Sept.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] Feb. 6, 30
Industrials.						
China Sugars	Dec.	In Liquidation
Malayan Sugars	27	...	Dec.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] Apr. 11, 29
Cald. Mag. Ord.	10.70	...	Dec.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] Apr. 30, 30
Canton Ice	July	None
Cement (comb.)	17 1/2	...	Dec.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] Mar. 19, 30
H. K. Rope	8.90	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1929
United Asbestos	Dec.	None
Stores, &c.						
Dairy Farms	36 1/2	...	Dec.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] Mar. 14, 30
Watsons	12.80	...	Oct.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] Mar. 31, 30
Der A Wings	Dec.	None
Lanc Crawfords	8.70	...	Feb.	Last dividend for year 25-29
Mackintosh	Feb.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] May 15, 30
Sincores	Dec.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] June 10, 29
Wm. Powells	2.85	...	Feb.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] June 10, 29
Miscellaneous.						
H. K. Amusement	Mar.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] July 6, 29
H. K. Construction	Dec.	None
B. Ind. G.S. Bonds	Dec.	None
H. K. Govt. Loans	Dec.	Interest half yearly
Other Stocks.						
Helsingfors	193	...	Dec.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] 1/5 25/32
Madrid	39.805	...	Dec.	[Final 24 s/c 1929] 1/8 1/2
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"THE STRAITS AT SINGAPORE"

MARITIME LIFE OF THE WORLD AND THE AGES.

—The gleaming beach and the palm trees, the Straits at Singapore, like the drawing away of a filmy curtain the shadows lift from the eastern horizon. A streak of crimson deepens rapidly, then changes to gold. A rose tiny touches the fleecy monsoon clouds, and the islands are bathed in a soft lavender hue. The gray of the sea yields to a deep purple and then to the turquoise blue of the tropical day. Suddenly, then, following quickly its outriders of crimson and gold, the sun leaps above the horizon. It is morning in the Straits.

Singapore awakes to life if, indeed, it can truly be said ever to have been asleep. At any rate, the subdued noises of the night, seemingly softened to a dull murmur by the very weight of the thick equatorial darkness, swell into the tumult of the turbulent day in this strange place where twenty tongues clamour for expression. Every teeming street bursts into a babe-like activity. The legendary tranquillity of the East is markedly absent. White and yellow, black and brown, Chinese and Malay and Indian, and every racial blend that the migrations of men have ever developed, mingle in kaleidoscopic activity like to nothing else on earth, when the day begins in Singapore.

As it is ashore, so in commensurate degree is it in the Straits, that famous roadstead where daily one may regard the maritime life of the world and the ages. If the picture ashore is unique, so also is the picture afloat. The flags of all nations flutter in the morning breeze from the stern-posts of the luxurious liners of to-day and of the goggle-eyed junks in which the men of Confucius's day braved the typhoons of the China Sea. None but a mariner of the eastern seas can by any chance identify all the national emblems which add their rainbow colours to the rich-hued picture that is the Straits at Singapore.

What, then, is yonder five-striped flag of red, white and blue, which flies from the stern of a neat little passenger steamer? It is the new flag of the Kingdom of Siam, the only absolute monarchy on earth; and it has recently replaced the famous insignia of the white elephant. Ah, yes. But what, in the name of all we thought we had learned at school, is that curious, many-coloured banner astern that other dapper little vessel? That is the flag of the Protectorate of Sarawak, the land of the famous British Rajah, His Highness Charles Vyner Brooke, and that is one of the little fleet of the Sarawak Steamship Company which will take you to little-known ports where primitive people dwell beside unfamiliar seas.

If the wanderlust is wont to trip you at little provocation, be well advised and keep away from Singapore, where there is more provocation than anywhere else on earth. For Singapore is the "letting-forth" point for such places as you never heard of and would not believe existed until you saw them. A day here and you will realise that the world has its rovelty and its romance yet, in spite of modernity penetrating into additional places each year. Yonder, for example, are half a dozen of the clean little white tankers of the Straits Steamship Company. Any one of them will bear you to such remote, hidden, unheard-of ports as no world cruise has ever made or ever will make. All about us, here in the roads, are the buff-funnel ships of the Dutch, K.P.M.—Koninklijke Paketvaart Maatschappij—aboard which you may search out such places as Ambolna and Ternate, and the "Spice Isles," Samarinda and Sandakan, in Borneo, penetrate 200 miles up a Borneo river, or find a life that has not altered since the Stone Age on the little-known coast of north-eastern New Guinea.

Close alongside is one of the "Pan Steam Navigation Company's" passenger steamers, which touches at Singapore, founded by Chinese traders centuries ago, at Nakavutitamarat, in southern Siam, and the beautiful port of Huahin, in its picturesque way to Bangkok.

The Straits at Singapore! Here in the junk anchorage, off the eastern end of the Bund, with its "hotels" and clubs and luxurious residences, are hundreds of the curious craft of a past age, some of them found in greater variety even than in Hong Kong or Shanghai. Searchingly their striding, singularly lifelike eyes are at you. For, as the Chinese pertinently puts it: "No have eyes, how can see? No can see, how can savvy? No can savvy, how can do?"

And sure enough, they seem to pick their ways with uncanny adroitness through the crowded roadstead by day and to glide eerily by night in and out of the great harbour confidently as above night bird winging its way above the forest.

Yet modernity has touched them, too, in the form of artificial power, especially among the sampan type. It appears that a merchant of Singapore recently imported a cargo of outboard motors which turned out to be an unsuccessful venture. They went at a tithe of their value to a canny Chinese who disposed of them to his countrymen. And now half the harbour sampans dash weirdly about the Straits while their owners rest at last from the laborious sculling of centuries.

At the other end of the roadstead, behind the breakwater, and around yonder point alongside the great piers, lie the ships of to-day, the great P. & O. liners, the Messageries Maritimes, the North German Lloyd and the Hamburg-American, the Chargeurs Reunis, the Danish East Asiatic Company, the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, the Royal Netherlands Lloyd, the familiar Blue Funnel liners, the British India, Ellerman & Bucknall, and a score of others; together with ships plying to Australian cities through the Torres Straits, or to the exotic ports of the north and west coast; attractive tropically fitted steamers, presently to set forth for Javanese and Sumatran harbours, and cargo ships of every type and size from every port on earth.

It is a marine picture unrivalled, as the blend of the life of all the world and every age in the seething, steamy streets of Singapore is a picture of human activity unparalleled. Everything that is of the sea is represented here in the Straits, as everything that is of the land is represented there in the streets. And that name of singing euphony ever recalls it all to him who has seen it, ever fires the fancy of him who has not.

We—you and I and all of us—have thrilled to the very word ever since we saw it on the map of our school days. With all sorts of flaming imagery we have invested this most picturesque of all the ports of all the seas. And those of us who have at length realised our dreams of looking upon, of participating in, that stupendous spectacle known as "The East" on its stage 5,000 miles square, have found that even the farthest flights of fancy have not led us astray as to the many-hued allure of Singapore and the Straits—M. T. G. in Christian Science Monitor.

A travelling cashier of the London and North Eastern Railway was found unconscious in a train at Maryland Point station. His cash-boxes, containing \$6,000, had been lifted.

A new portrait of himself by Sir Joshua Reynolds, probably painted in 1749, has been discovered by Sir Charles Holmes. It shows the artist as a young man.

"NOT MENTALLY RESPONSIBLE."

YOUNG BRITON MAKES WRONG BEGINNING.

JUDGE'S LENIENCY.

Selangor, May 21. Charles Brown, a young assistant formerly employed by John Little and Co., was charged at the Selangor Assizes with the theft of jewellery and cash valued at \$1,830 from that firm. Accused pleaded not guilty and conducted his own defence.

The Deputy Public Prosecutor, Mr. R. C. Cussen, said that on Monday, March 3, accused told \$45 or \$50 at the Selangor races. He returned to his boarding house, where a fellow employee named Gaskin also lived, at about six o'clock. When Mr. Gaskin returned from a bath he found that his keys had disappeared from his dressing table. There were two bunches of keys, one of which bore the keys of the outer door of the store and the other the keys of the branch of which Mr. Gaskin had charge.

Stole From Safe. Accused went to the shop and entered. He emerged fifteen or twenty minutes later. He telephoned for a hired car, but left in a riksha before it arrived. Later in the evening he summoned the car to the Coliseum cafe. While in the shop accused opened a safe with Mr. Gaskin's keys and removed jewellery and cash to the value already stated. Accused was seen on the station platform that evening and was arrested a day or so later at the Raffles Hotel, Singapore, when all the jewellery was recovered, but some of the money had gone.

After corroborative evidence had been called for the prosecution, Brown called several witnesses. Mr. A. E. Bond, director in charge of John Little and Co., Kuala Lumpur, said, in reply to Brown, that he (Brown) had borne a quite satisfactory character up to the time of this offence. It was true that about four months after he arrived accused had a serious motor-cycle accident which necessitated his spending ten days in hospital. Accused came to the firm with very good references.

Brown: Is it true that I have managed to repay everything that was missing? Mr. Bond replied that only \$60 of the cash remained to be accounted for and the arrangements made by accused did not quite cover that. Accused had a certain amount of money due to him in the provident fund.

In reply to Mr. Cussen, Mr. Bond said that accused worked for five months after his accident and did not seem abnormal in any way. Mr. S. M. Adams, a missionary, gave evidence that he came out with Brown on the same ship and had seen him frequently since. He had always known Brown to be of good character and he was surprised and shocked when he read of this affair.

Accused next handed in three references as to character, which his Lordship examined.

Medical Evidence. Dr. T. E. Wakefield, in charge of the European Hospital, was called at accused's request. He said that accused spent eleven days in hospital with concussion. The Chief Surgeon noted that he "wandered"

at times, but that was quite usual in such cases.

Brown: Are there any after-effects after a concussion accident?

Dr. Wakefield: Quite frequently.

His Lordship: This offence was committed early in March. Is it likely that mental effects of the concussion might last as long as five months?

Dr. Wakefield: It is possible that the mental effects of concussion might last as long as five months.

Accused asked an involved question to the effect that if Dr. Wakefield knew that six months before he left Britain he had a nervous breakdown necessitating a long stay in hospital, would Dr. Wakefield be surprised to learn that after the motor-cycling accident he found himself doing things of which he later had no recollection.

Dr. Wakefield was understood to reply that he had had no experience of such a combination of circumstances.

Questioned by Mr. Cussen, Dr. Wakefield said that when accused was discharged from hospital the Chief Surgeon noted that he was quite well. Eleven days was a rather short period to spend in hospital with concussion.

His Lordship then asked accused whether he had anything to say before sentence was passed.

Brandy Affected Him.

Accused said he came out to Malaya with very good references and with the intention of making a career for himself in this country. Four months after his arrival he met with a very serious motor-cycling accident, which greatly affected his nervous system. Since that time he had suffered from nightmares and delusions and at times had done things of which he had no recollection afterwards. The week previous to the theft he was very busy in his department and two days before it he worked from 8.30 a.m. to 7 p.m. with no respite owing to excess of business. Over the week-end he felt very unwell and on Monday he left at one p.m., it being a half holiday, intending to lie down before attending the races and afterwards to return to the godown to complete some work. He returned to the godown as he intended and after finishing his work he helped himself to a glass of brandy. "I think that must have affected me," said accused, "as I am not used to strong drink and am practically a teetotaler. I cannot really remember what happened after that until I found myself in the train. When I found that I had some jewellery and money I realised that I must have done something wrong and was very disturbed. When I got to Singapore I was almost immediately arrested before I had time to get in touch with my firm."

Proceeding, accused said he was only 21 years of age and this was the first time that he had been in a court. He had lost his position and he asked for leniency as a first offender. He asked to be sent to Britain to make a fresh start as soon as possible. He had been in prison nearly three months already. Finally he said he would like to express his regret to everybody concerned for the trouble they had been caused and said he was very sorry for what had occurred.

Gael Worse For Europeans.

"I treat you as leniently as I

can," said his Lordship in passing sentence, "because we realise that the punishment of imprisonment is very much worse for the European in this country than it is for the native. Owing to the climate and other things it is much more unpleasant and therefore we give European who are convicted more lenient sentences as a rule. With regard to the offence itself, there is no getting away from the fact that it is a breach of trust, and therefore much more serious than an ordinary larceny. I take into account your age, and I take into account the more important fact that you have already spent three months in prison awaiting trial, and the sentence I impose is therefore three months less than it would have been had you not been in prison.

"But I cannot pass over such a serious matter. It is not a case to be dealt with under the law relating to first offenders. It is not a case of that kind at all. It is quite true that John Little and Co., have lost nothing by this lapse, but it is equally true that you cannot prove that you were not mentally responsible at the time. It would be a very difficult thing to do. But I realise that it may be that you were not quite normal, and I take all these things into account, but I cannot pass upon you a less sentence than nine months' imprisonment."

A GIFTED JOURNALIST.

With the sudden death at his home in Paris of Mr. George Jeffreys Adam, there has passed away one of the outstanding figures in the British-speaking literary and journalistic world of the French capital. For, although only 46 years of age, Adam had already made his mark not only as a journalist, but also as the author of a number of successful books, the latest of which was a brilliant study of Clemenceau.

He was a brilliant conversationalist, a gifted writer and journalist, popular with his fellows, and possessed of a keen insight into French and international politics, and his death will come as a shock to his large circle of friends in Paris and elsewhere.

Keep Children Well In The Hot Weather.

Now that the hot season is at hand wise mothers will pay especial heed to the food their children eat, for uncooked vegetables, unripe or over-ripe fruits, and tainted milk, are among the chief causes of diarrhoea, dysentery, worms, colic and other stomach and bowel troubles at this time of year.

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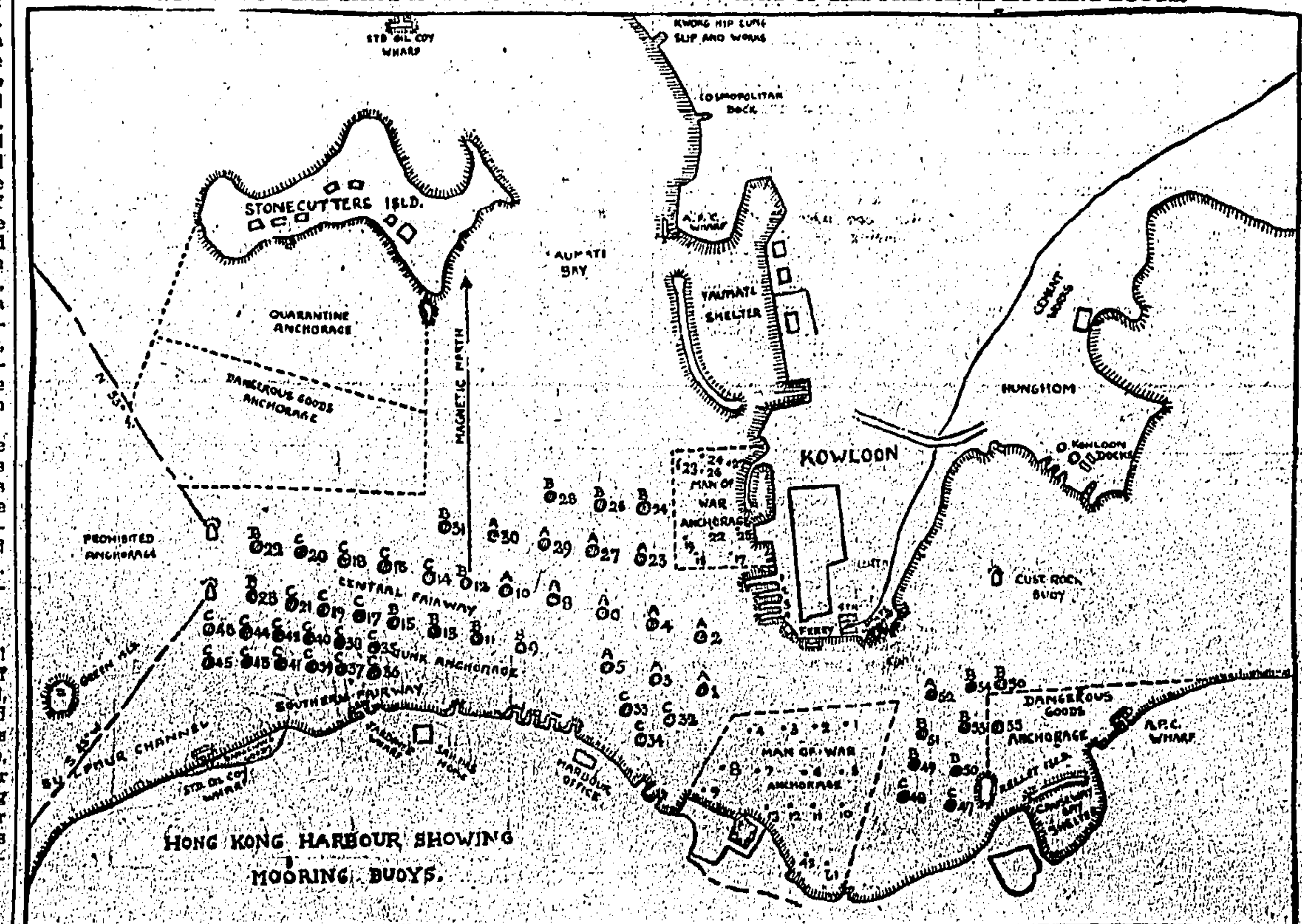
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ROUND THE CINEMAS ALL-BRITISH TALKIE.

Hollywood Studio Sets Weary Richman.

"PUTTIN' ON THE RITZ."

"Hollywood parties," said Harry Richman, "are exhausting." But he didn't mean the kind one may find in Boulevard apartments and Beverly Hills mansions, but the synthetic variety encountered on studio sets.

They staged a particularly raucous one at the United Artists studios for scenes in "Puttin' on the Ritz." Richman's first starring picture, which comes to the Queen's Theatre on Sunday. The famous Broadway singer and night club favourite was required to turn up bright and early in the morning, then stop into scenes where he was supposed to be raising the roof, so to speak, in a particularly gay and festive celebration.

While he doesn't contend that this is an experience entirely unknown to him, he does insist that it is a bit trying, after a good night's sleep to report at work at 9 o'clock of a bright sunny morning and immediately assume a pose of rather alcoholic hilarity.

Realists, of course, might advance a rather drastic method for overcoming those difficulties, but that, too, has its disadvantages, Richman points out.

"Puttin' on the Ritz" features a cast of many prominent players, Aileen Pringle, Lilyan Tashman,

Empire Film Institute.

The first of a series of Sunday afternoon performances, arranged by the British Empire Film Institute, to demonstrate the progress of picture producing in Britain, drew a large and interested audience on April 27 to the Alhambra, London.

With five items on the programme, all of British origin and each excellent in its own way, pride of place must be given to "Juno and the Paycock." This faithful talking-picture version of Sean O'Casey's story of modern Ireland does honour to all concerned in its production.

A short film, "The Jolly Farmers," also made in the E.I. studios of British International Pictures, includes some typical scenes of rural life in Britain. Two topical films and "The Merlin," one of the "Secrets of Nature" series, completed a programme which must have left on the mind of every one in the theatre the impression that British talking films are really on the high road to success.

Among those present were: The secretary of State for War and Mrs. Shaw, the President of the Board of Trade and Mrs. Graham, Sir James Connolly, Agent-General for Malta, and Lady Connolly, the High Commissioner for New Zealand and Mrs. Welford, and the Agents-General for New South Wales, Ontario, Nova Scotia, and Queensland.

NAPOLEON UP TO DATE.

WALTER HASENCLEVER'S SATIRE.

Berlin, April 24.

The Stresemann Theatre has produced Walter Hasenclever's new play, "Napoleon Intervenes."

Napoleon is a figure in a wax-work show, which includes contemporaries as well as extinguished stars of world history. His neighbour in the French section is Landru! When, wearied of inactivity, he descends from his pedestal to play a part in the life of to-day, he borrows Mussolini's trousers and Stresemann's hat. The juxtaposition with Landru is symbolic. The playwright has in mind the similarity between a man who sacrificed all the women he met to his own particular whim, and the man who sacrificed all the men he came across—his soldiers—for his one particular woman.

For, though the garments of Mussolini and Stresemann show that Napoleon up-to-date resolves to reenact a political role, the part that Josephine played in his life is Hasenclever's main thesis. He is furious when he learns from Landru of the infidelity he always suspected. He attends a conference of the League of Nations, where he finds that the United States of Europe are materialising in the brains of an American millionaire instead of on the battlefield; he acts in a film studio—the Josephine of to-day is



HARRY RICHMAN, star of "PUTTIN' ON THE RITZ"

BRITISH LEGION.
Not "Self-Glorifying" Institution.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The ninth annual meeting of the Hong Kong branch of the British Legion was held yesterday in the Board room of Messrs. Jardine Matheson & Co., Mr. F. W. James being in the chair.

The Chairman, pointed out that the Legion was not a "self-glorifying" organisation, but it existed for the benefit of ex-Service men and women and to help the Services in general.

As regards the annual report, gross receipts on Poppy Day were more by \$486.27 than in 1928, but the fall in exchange resulted in less sterling being sent to the Central Fund. The gross receipt in 1928 was \$16,973.09 and in 1929 \$17,469.36, but the remittances for the two years were respectively \$1,747.4s. 6d. and \$1,492.1s. 8d., so that although we collected more in Hong Kong dollars, we remitted \$255.2s. 9d. less for the year 1929.

The Chairman also returned thanks to various officials of the branch for their help during the year, and stated that the branch had 110 members resident in the Colony, although there was a number of subscriptions still unpaid.

The report and accounts were carried unanimously.

Officers Elected.
The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows:—President: Mr. F. W. James; hon. secretary and treasurer: Mr. H. Spicer; general committee: Col. L. G. Bird, Lt.-Col. G. K. Hall Brutton, Lt.-Col. T. A. Robertson, the Rev. T. G. Waldegrave, Mrs. V. M. Bond, Mr. J. N. Owen, Mr. A. R. H. Phillips and Mr. F. C. Hall; hon. auditor: Mr. A. Ritchie.

SENT FOR TRIAL.

Tragedy on Australian Steamer.

ALLEGED MURDER.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith concluded the preliminary hearing of the case in which a Japanese named Yamada, a passenger on the s.s. Tando, from Australia, is charged with the alleged murder, at sea, of a Chinese ship's cook named Fung Sau-shan. The accused reserved his defence and was committed for trial at the next Criminal Sessions.

A statement stated to have been made by the accused to the Police, after he had been charged, was read in Court.

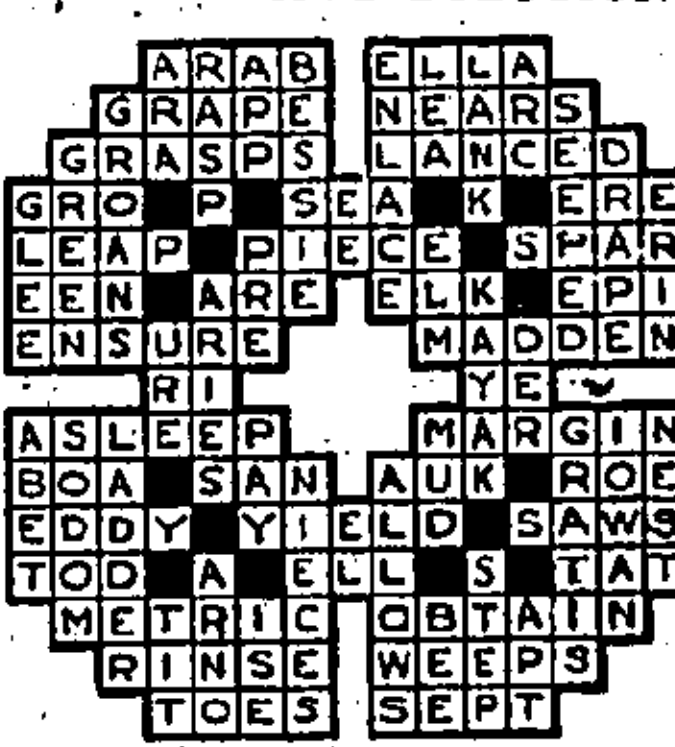
Accused stated that when he left Townsville he had in his possession the sum of £84, but of this he had lost £71 in gambling. He kept his money in a bag tied round his waist. On the day before the crime the cook asked him for £10 but prisoner thought he was joking. The same night he again met the cook, who produced a pistol, which he pointed at prisoner and asked for £50. At the moment a passenger was seen approaching and the cook put the pistol away, at the same time threatening that if the prisoner said anything about the incident something would happen to him.

Committed for Trial.

Shortly afterward prisoner went to sleep in a corner of the hatch

but some time after one o'clock, he opened his eyes and felt his hands and legs numbed while his head was heavy. He felt for his money but found it was missing. He went to the cook's cabin, taking a knife and chopper with him for his own protection. The cook was lying on his bunk awake. When the prisoner asked the cook for the return of his money, the Chinese put his hand behind him. Thinking that he was reaching for a pistol, prisoner "swung the knife," touching the electric light which then went out. "I heard the cook shouting; after that I don't remember anything," concluded the prisoner in his statement.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



HARRY RICHMAN AND HIS SMARTLY DRESSED CHORUS IN "PUTTIN' ON THE RITZ"

James Gleason, Richard Tucker, Eddie Kane, and Funnell Pratt, Edward including Joan Bennett, Aileen Soman directed the picture from an original story by John W. Considine, jun., for which William K. Wells wrote the dialogue.

"THE PATRIOT."

Emil Jannings and Lewis Stone.

Lewis Stone, the man who made those marvellous cameos of satire and finesse: "The Wedding Circle" and "Helen of Troy" is cast in what he himself believes the best role of his film career in Paramount's "The Patriot," which is now being screened to big houses at the Majestic Theatre, Kowloon, for a limited engagement.

The role is that of Count Fahlen, Minister of War, and the only man in whom Tsar Paul I. of Russia placed any trust.

"The Patriot" has Emil Jannings in the starring role, with Mr. Stone cast in a role nearly equal in importance. It is he who wins the sympathy of the audience, as the patriot; also, as the man who enjoys the trust of his leader, he figures

in one of the most interesting incidents in the history of Imperial Russia.

This epic of the screen was adapted from the stage play of the same name by Alfred Neumann, celebrated European playwright. Taken from an actual occurrence in the turbulent history of Russia, it forms one of the most amazing dramas ever put to the stage or screen.

The Mad Emperor.

Paul I. was known as the Mad Emperor. He had the heart of a child and a brain of a tiger. He ruled ruthlessly and without mercy. Fahlen was the only man who could handle his superior. He saw what was happening to his country, and knew the only way to keep his country from destruction. He resolved upon a desperate plan and saw it to a successful conclusion. Achieving this, he thrust himself into oblivion. A most inspiring character. Stone has handled it in a perfect manner.

Also included in the cast of this "wonder picture" is Florence Vidor, herself a star, and Neil Hamilton, popular leading man, who has the role of the Tsar's son. It was directed by Ernst Lubitsch and adapted to the screen by Hans Kraly.

a film star—and goes to a gambling club. He returns completely disillusioned to his pedestal and says some very biting things about the world of to-day as he tells a sympathetic Landru all about it.

"Cuddles" and "Georgie," two of the best known child stars Gus Edwards ever had in his vaudeville acts, are reunited in "Love, Live and Laugh," Fox Movietone all-talking drama. "Georgie" who is George Jessel, is starred. "Cuddles," now known as Lila Lee, is his leading woman. "Love, Live and Laugh" will be seen and heard soon at the Carlton Theatre screen.

Helen Kane, the little girl with the baby voice, is scoring new triumphs as a screen player for her work in Paramount's "Sweetie," and in her new picture, "Pointed Heels."

Mary Carr, who has "mothered" almost every star in Hollywood, is playing a featured role in Radio Pictures' "Second Wife," with Lila Lee and Conrad Nagel.

John D. is in the talkies, Mr. Rockefeller made a speech for the films to help celebrate the sixtieth anniversary of standard oil.



Harry Richman, star of "Puttin' On The Ritz" the all-talking, singing, dancing, extra-vaganza which will be shown at the Queen's from Sunday.

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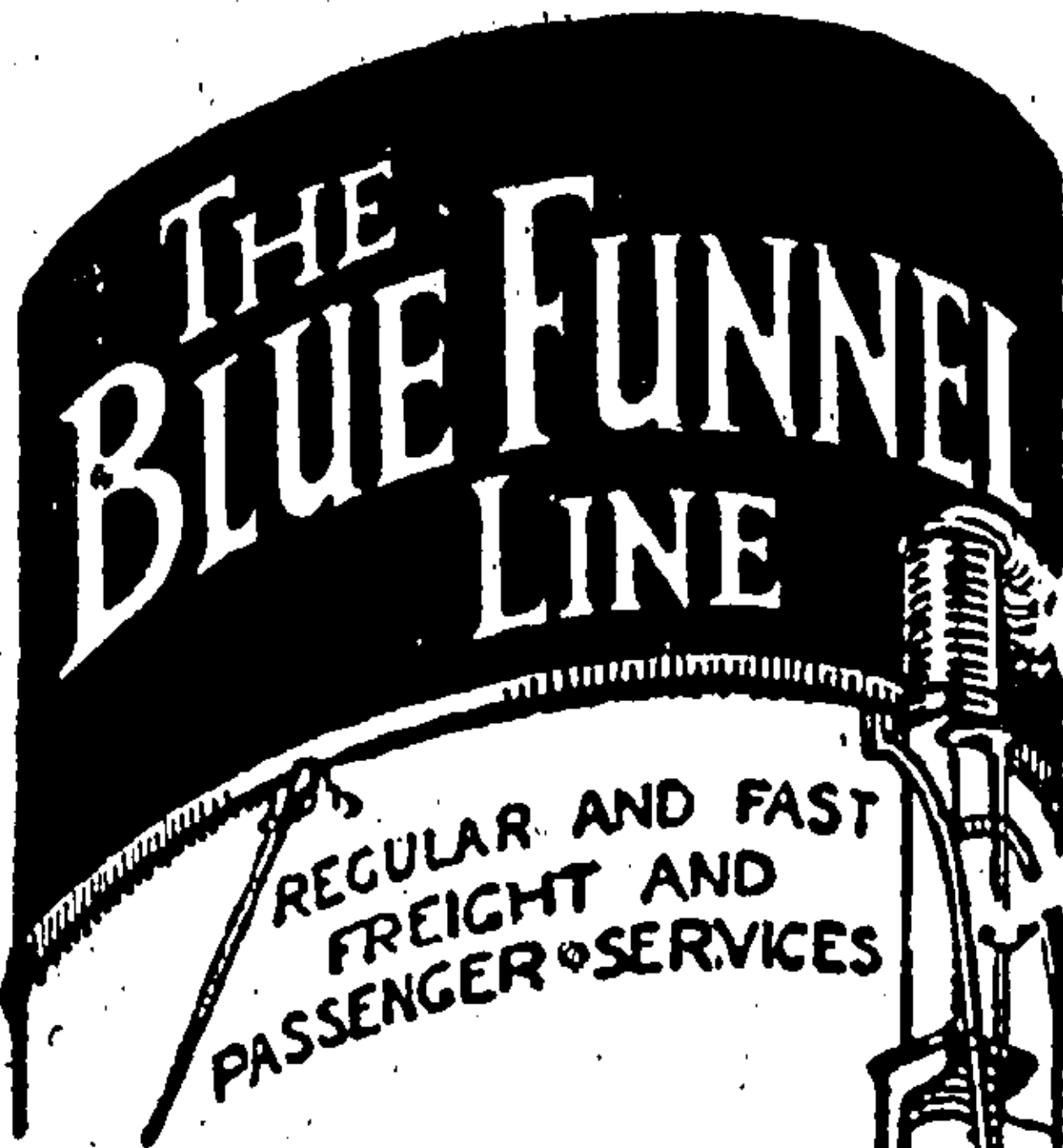
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A MYTHICAL FRIEND.

Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, sentenced a Chinese apprentice of the Far Eastern Oxygen & Acetylene Co., Limited, to one month's hard labour for being the receiver of 100 lb. of rubbered wire, which he knew was stolen from the company at To Kwa Wan.

Accused pleaded that a friend, whom he had known for a short time, had given him the wire, but that friend he could not identify.

Speaking on behalf of the firm, Mr. Middleton said that accused had been an apprentice for three weeks, and was studying to be a welder which constituted four months' tuition by the company. They taught the man, besides electricity, the use of oxygen and acetylene power. If he concentrated on learning that it would get him an honest living after three or four months.

It was further stated by Mr. Middleton that the company bought 400 yards of this wire on May 25 and when it was measured yesterday exactly one hundred yards was missing.

Extensive powers for the regulation of prices of articles in "common use" are disclosed in the text of the bill for the setting up of the Consumers' Council. These will be exercised by the Board of Trade working in conjunction with the new body.

AMY JOHNSON TALKS TO BRITAIN.

WELCOME IN AUSTRALIA THAT WAS "MARVELLOUS"

SPEECH HEARD PLAINLY.

London, Yesterday.

A broadcast talk by Miss Amy Johnson from Brisbane was heard this evening. Sir John Goodwin, the Governor of Queensland, introduced Amy, who referred to her "absolutely marvellous" welcome in Australia. The recently opened post office telephone service between Britain and Australia was utilised to convey Amy's brief speech to London. A few phrases were lost owing to atmospheric conditions but the main portion of her speech was heard plainly. —Reuter.

'Plane Turns Somersaults.

Rugby, Yesterday.

Miss Amy Johnson escaped entirely uninjured from her crash at Brisbane to-day. It would appear that as she was about to alight she heard that she would overrun the landing ground and therefore restarted the engine, intending to ascend and approach the ground afresh. In doing so she struck a wire fence on the boundary of the ground and her machine dived into a field of standing millet, turning almost completely over and smashing the propeller and wings.

A great crowd of anxious spectators raced to her help and arrived to find Miss Johnson standing by the machine calmly combing her hair, having suffer-

ABBEY FUNERAL.

Archbishop to Be Buried at Canterbury.

CATHEDRAL GRAVE.

Rugby, Yesterday.

The first part of the funeral service for Archbishop, Lord Davidson, took place at Westminster Abbey this evening. The large congregation included representatives of the King and Prince of Wales.

The service was conducted by the Dean of Westminster, the Archbishops of Canterbury and York being present.

The coffin was subsequently taken by road to Canterbury Cathedral, where the interment in the Cloister Garth will take place to-morrow. —British Wireless Service.

KING BETTER.

Queen at the Military Tournament.

ELIZABETH GOES AS WELL.

Rugby, Yesterday.

It is stated at Buckingham Palace that the King's rheumatic trouble is clearing away satisfactorily.

The Queen on her visit to-day to the Royal Military Tournament was accompanied by the Duke of Gloucester, Prince George, and little Princess Elizabeth. —British Wireless Service.

ed nothing more than a shaking. She drove through great crowds to a reception at the City Hall, and in the evening attended a reception arranged by the National Council of Women. She hopes to repair her machine to enable her to continue the flight to Sydney in a few days. —British Wireless Service.

Earlier News.

Brisbane, Yesterday.
Miss Amy Johnson met with a mishap when landing across the wind at Eagle Farm aerodrome, at Brisbane. The machine hit a fence and turned turtle, but Miss Johnson was thrown clear and not hurt—only shaken. The propeller and wings were badly damaged.

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